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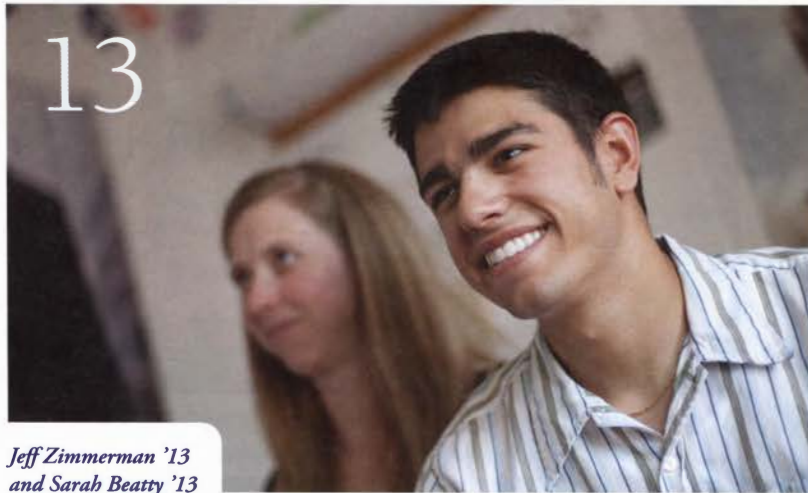
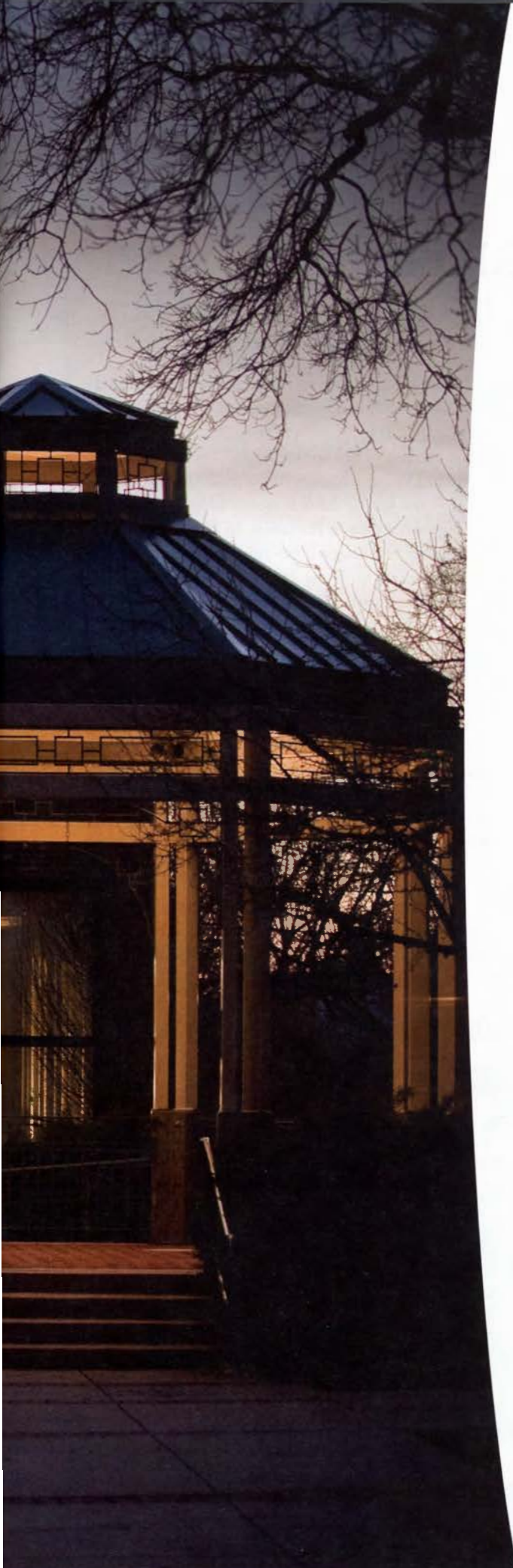
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From Funkhouser resident assistant and *La Vie Collegienne* editorial meetings on Monday, March 15, to *LVC Live* and a women's lacrosse game on Saturday, March 20, we invited photographers to campus to capture a week in the life of the Valley. Inside, peek into a week at the College and view many additional photos online at thevalleyonline.lvc.edu.



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On the Cover: Brandine Williams '12, co-editor of the *Quittapahilla* Yearbook, studies with a friend in the Peace Garden.

Inside Cover: Dusk on the academic quad—the Gazebo is a popular site for student music performances. The Mund College Center, in the background, will soon undergo its first major renovation since 1972. Plans are underway for a more than \$12-million renovation that will improve dining facilities, provide additional meeting space for students, and combine many student services in one location.

Editor's Notes: Correction: Trent Hollinger '01 resides in Canton, Mo., and not in Canton, Miss., as was written on page 32 of the Fall 2009 issue of *The Valley*.

In addition to many photos showing campus life at LVC, several additional news and notes articles may be found online at thevalleyonline.lvc.edu.

National Guardsman Presents Combat Flag to LVC

In gratitude for all the help he received from LVC during his deployment with the National Guard, SPC **Michael S. Bixler '11** of Cleona presented a special flag to LVC President **Stephen C. MacDonald** in February.



MacDonald, also a U.S. Army veteran, said he was honored to receive the flag, which had been carried on a Sept. 6, 2009, combat mission over Iraq.

"This flag is a token of my appreciation," Bixler explained.

Bixler came to LVC as a history major in 2005, but left the College after the spring 2008 semester to serve with the General Support Aviation Battalion. In January 2010, he came home after finishing a nine-month tour of duty at Tallil Air Base in Iraq with the 28th Combat Aviation Brigade of the Pennsylvania National Guard. He said his base was occasionally subjected to rocket fire.

Bixler, a graduate of Lebanon High School, came to LVC on a Lebanon Valley Education Partnership (LVEP) scholarship. LVEP is run jointly by Lebanon Valley College and the Lebanon School District to encourage secondary school students with academic potential and the probable need for financial aid to pursue education after high school. Until he resumes his studies in the fall, Bixler will continue his work servicing Chinook helicopters at Fort Indiantown Gap. He hopes to become an army officer after he graduates from LVC.

LVC Math Major Wins Prize at National Conference

Curt Cenci '11 of Emmaus, a mathematical sciences major, won a monetary prize in January at the Mathematical Association of America Undergraduate Poster Session in San Francisco, Calif. Cenci received one of 32 prizes awarded out of 233 entries from across the U.S. His poster was based on research conducted under the direction of advisors **Dr. David Lyons**, associate professor of mathematical sciences, and **Dr. Scott Walck**, associate professor of physics, during summer 2009. For more information on student-faculty research in mathematics and physics at LVC, visit quantum.lvc.edu/mathphys.



LVC Students Served and Marched on Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Three dozen LVC students honored the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a Day of Service on Jan. 18. "We did a lot of painting, getting the house ready for a family to move in," said **Caleb Brown '10** of Ephrata, a music and music business major, who was one of more than 30 students who volunteered with Habitat for Humanity of Lebanon County, Inc.

Other students improved facilities in Lebanon at the Martin Luther King Jr. Family Life Center, the Lebanon County Christian Ministries, and Lebanon Family Health Services. Interpersonal programs took place at Renova Center in Lebanon and Kindred Place in Annville. Later that day, students and faculty welcomed community members to take part in a peaceful march on the Annville campus, led by LVC's Voices of Spirit Gospel Choir.



(Front row, l. to r.): Kristin Shoop '13, Alison Brandecker '12, Andrew German '13, and Lindsey Irvin (back) volunteered on Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

New Summer Research Program

The Chemistry Department will participate in *Research First*, a new program that will provide opportunities for incoming LVC freshmen to work with College faculty/student research teams during the summer before their freshman year of college. This 40-hour per week immersion experience in scientific research provides incoming students with opportunities to learn many new laboratory techniques. Participants also receive a stipend, as well as room and board. A select group of incoming freshmen have been chosen based on high school records and experience.

LVC Students Present Research in Baltimore

A group of 13 LVC students accompanied **Dr. Tim Peelen**, assistant professor of chemistry, and **Dr. Wally Patton**, associate professor of chemistry, to the 12th Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium in the Chemical and Biological Sciences in Baltimore. The conference, a prestigious annual showcase for undergraduate research, is sponsored by the National Institutes of Health. More than 40 colleges and universities participated with 192 student papers presented. LVC students earned three first-place awards and two second-place awards. Visit www.lvc.edu/chemistry/news.aspx for more information.

New International Studies Major/Minor Added

Beginning next fall, LVC students will be able to major or minor in international studies, an interdisciplinary program designed to give students a core of knowledge of an increasingly interdependent world. Students will explore international issues and affairs from political, sociological, cultural, historical, and economic perspectives and examine the complex interactions between the domestic and international affairs of nations. Students also will develop the skills necessary for careers in public service, the private sector, or academia, selecting from two tracks within the program: international affairs or comparative culture. Visit www.lvc.edu/history-political-science/ for more information.

PA National Guard General and Colleges Against Cancer Honored on Founders Day

Maj. Gen. Jessica L. Wright, adjutant general of the Pennsylvania National Guard, was honored Feb. 16 with LVC's Founders Day Award. By honoring her, the College recognized and thanked all 19,000 members of the PA National Guard and its 3,000 civilian employees. LVC's Founders Day Award recognizes individuals whose character and leadership, in the spirit of the founders of the College, contribute to the enhancement of life in Central Pennsylvania.

Before presenting the Founders Day Award to Wright, **President Stephen MacDonald** said, "Please accept Lebanon Valley College's admiration and gratitude for your dedication and devotion to our country. May the men and women you command continue to serve on our behalf and always return home safely to their families, friends, and loved ones."

At the same event in Miller Chapel, the student organization Colleges Against Cancer was awarded LVC's President's Award, which is given annually to a student group that contributes to the College mission and demonstrates vision, informed decision-making, and preparation for a life of service to others.



President Stephen MacDonald with Maj. Gen. Jessica L. Wright

In his remarks, MacDonald acknowledged that Colleges Against Cancer "raised a total of \$46,000 in 2008, and in 2009, they raised \$52,000, all of which benefits the effort to find a cure for cancer." The activities of the 89 students of Colleges Against Cancer this past year included: a Breast Cancer Awareness Table in the Mund College Center and at various athletic events; participation in the Harrisburg-based fundraiser 'Strides Against Breast Cancer'; and all of the preparations necessary for the Relay for Life. "The relay involved more than 500 students from more than 30 student organizations and raised over \$45,000 in and of itself," said MacDonald.

Colleges Against Cancer (CAC) received the 2010 President's Award during Founders Day in February. On behalf of the LVC chapter of CAC, (l. to r.) Gina DiCamillo '10, Sarah Bronstein '11, and Allison Hunt '10 received the award from President Stephen MacDonald.

Help the Hearsey Actuarial Science Scholarship Reach its Goal

An anonymous donor has stepped forward with a major challenge gift aimed at increasing the number of donors contributing to the **Dr. Bryan Hearsey Actuarial Science Scholarship**. For every \$1 donated to the fund between now and Dec. 31, 2010, the donor will match that gift up to \$10,000 total. To date, LVC has raised more than \$40,000 toward the \$100,000 goal, so please make your gift today and encourage your classmates and friends to join you. To see the current totals, a list of donors, or to donate to the Hearsey Scholarship, please visit www.lvc.edu/supportlvc/hearsey.aspx.

Undergraduate Research Conference Held at LVC

An Undergraduate Research Conference aimed at highlighting and promoting college students' research in the social sciences and humanities, was held at LVC on Feb. 20. More than 60 faculty and students presented their work in response to the conference theme, "Social Challenges for the 21st Century." In addition to LVC, presenters came from Shippensburg University, and Dickinson, York, Albright, and Juniata colleges.

"A tradition of undergraduate research has been well established in the natural sciences," explained **Dr. Christopher Dolan**, assistant professor of history and political science. "We're involved in a nationwide effort to encourage more collaboration in the social sciences and humanities."

Dr. Diane Johnson, assistant professor of political science; **Dr. John Hinshaw**, chair and associate professor of history and director of the American Studies Program; and **Dr. Michael Kitchens**, assistant professor of psychology, also direct the undergraduate research program and helped organize the student conference.

The conference was funded by Lebanon Valley College's Pleet Initiative, which supports research in the humanities and social sciences. The Pleet Initiative for Student/Faculty Research Across the Curriculum is possible through a generous gift from **David and Lynn Pleet** of Lebanon. Six projects involving more than 35 students and 11 faculty members are currently funded under the Pleet Initiative.

The Pleet Initiative has enabled LVC students to present at two additional national conferences this year. This January, Dr. Johnson attended the Southern Political Science Association meeting in Atlanta, Ga. **Dwight Decker '09**, a political science major, and **Eli Galán '09**, a political science and physics double major, presented their collaborative research. **Gabriel Lincoln-DeCusatis '12**, a political science major, presented his findings at a student research conference at SUNY-Oneonta, N.Y., in March and took away the best paper award, for which he received a small monetary prize. Visit www.lvc.edu/pleet-initiative for more information.

Guillermo Muñoz '10 Chosen for Prestigious Master Class in Conducting

Music major **Guillermo Muñoz '10** of Harrisburg was one of only three student conductors in the eastern United States chosen for an American Choral Directors Association master class in February. The selection committee chose Muñoz based on his "impressive application," which included a rehearsal video, written statement, and letter of recommendation from **Dr. Mark Mecham**, LVC's D. Clark and Edna Carmean Distinguished Professor of Music and director of the College's auditioned Concert Choir, of which Muñoz served as president. Muñoz, a native of Chile, was also a member of LVC's select Chamber Choir and LVC's Guitar Quartet and is a trained classical guitarist.



Native Nations Banquet Celebrates Spring

A unique opportunity to learn about Native Americans through music, storytelling, dance, and food was held at the College on March 14. The Native Nations Dance Theater of Philadelphia demonstrated authentic dances and played traditional instruments. The “Dance of Green Corn” highlighted how many tribes—including the Seminole in Florida and the Eastern Woodland tribal

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nations—celebrated the spring harvest. Diners were invited to participate in “the smoke dance” and “the round dance.”

“There’s something about sharing good food, music, and entertainment that breaks down barriers,” said the **Rev. Dr. Paul Fullmer**, College chaplain and organizer of the event. “We come to appreciate a variety of cultures in a very special way at the banquets and have a great time doing so.” Each semester, the College offers banquets focusing on diverse religious and cultural experiences.

“It is important to expose students and the community to the diversity of cultures that they are likely to experience in the world,” said **James Felton**, LVC’s director of multicultural affairs. “The banquet provides an excellent opportunity to learn about the legacy and contributions of Native Americans in the United States.”



The Native Nations Dance Theater has presented authentic American Indian themes to more than 500 schools and colleges in the United States, Canada, and England. Its members have been featured in the films *Who We Are* and in *Tecumseh: We Shall Remain* on PBS.

National Science Foundation Awards Grant to Mathematical Physics Research Group

Dr. David Lyons, associate professor of mathematical sciences, and **Dr. Scott Walck**, associate professor of physics, were recently awarded a National Science Foundation (NSF) grant for their project, “Entanglement Classification via Stabilizers and Subsystem States.” The NSF awarded \$83,889 to the College for the 2009–2010 academic year, with similar amounts expected for the next two years. The grant supports ongoing faculty-student research in quantum entanglement and quantum information theory. Lyons and Walck, in collaboration with student researchers, have published several papers and given numerous presentations on their research. For more information, visit quantum.lvc.edu/mathphys.

Fifth Annual Student-Run Music Industry Conference

The students in the music business and recording programs hosted the annual Fall Music Industry Conference (LVC-MIC). The students drew professionals from around the country, including a member of the band Live, a music publisher from Colorado, a drummer who played for Michael Jackson, as well as LVC graduates of the program.

Among the presenters was **Morgan**

Stambaugh '08, recording engineer for Anderson Audio, a premier audio company founded by **Chris Anderson '95**, that has provided the sound system and crew for the PBS specials *In Performance at the White House*, *Kennedy Center Honors*, and *An American Celebration at Ford's Theater*. Also presenting was **Mat Edgcomb '01**, recording engineer at Whitaker

Center, who was recently featured in *Mix* magazine and manages all sound, stage, and lighting for shows ranging from major music concerts to Broadway shows. LVC-MIC VI, set for Nov. 20, 2010, is currently being planned with panelists including Grammy-nominated producer David Ivory scheduled to participate.

LVC Earns First Berth in NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament



The LVC women's basketball team made its first-ever appearance in the NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament this March, ultimately losing to Medaille College. The team, which has no seniors on the roster, finished the regular season as Commonwealth Conference champions and was ranked 19th in the nation. **Andrea Hoover '11** (sixth from left) was named LVC's first-ever conference Player of the Year for women's basketball, and **Head Coach Todd Goclowski** (not pictured) was named Commonwealth Coach of the Year. **Suzie Noyes '11** (second from left) was named to the All-Commonwealth Conference First Team.

Third Annual **Pink Zone** Game Sets Attendance Record

For one night only, the LVC women's basketball team changed its colors to pink, blue, and white when an all-time record 1,545 fans packed the LVC Gymnasium Feb. 16 for the third annual PinkZone game, a benefit developed by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association in 2007 for breast cancer awareness.

"When I arrived at LVC, I was hoping to build our basketball program with a strong sense of community service," said **Head Coach Todd Goclowski**. "The NCAA's Pink Zone initiative really opened the door for us to create the game here on campus and involve all aspects of our community in the endeavor."



Sarah Bronstein '10, a member of LVC's own Colleges Against Cancer, added, "It's a great event for everyone to get involved. The money raised will go to a great cause—helping to support research to find a cure in the future."

Music Professor Releases New CD

Dr. Johannes Dietrich, director of the LVC Symphony Orchestra and the Newton and Adelaide Burgner Professor in Instrumental Music, recently released a new CD featuring *Adagia*, a three-part piece for solo violin written expressly for him by **Dr. Scott Eggert**, LVC professor of music. The CD, *Solo Journeys*, also includes J.S. Bach's *Partita* in D minor. The CD is available in local music stores and online at LVC's College Store (www.lvc.edu/collegestore).

LVC NAMED Best Again

by
The Princeton Review

For the seventh
consecutive year,

LVC was named one of the best colleges and universities in the Northeast by *The Princeton Review*. LVC is one of 218 institutions profiled in the "Best in the Northeast" section of *The Best Northeastern Colleges: 2010 Edition* (Random House/Princeton Review Books).



Athletic Hall of Champions Opens

After a winter of construction, LVC's Hall of Champions opened in the Arnold Sports Center. The former "Big Blue Wall" located outside the gym entrance has been transformed into a series of large, glass trophy cases, along with an historical mural and a ribbon listing LVC's All-Americans. The display cases make it possible for hundreds of trophies and other memorabilia to be publicly displayed for the first time. Fans can view the game balls from the College's "first" baseball no-hitter and the 1994 NCAA

Men's Basketball National Championship trophy, among other classic items.

A flat-panel screen also has been installed in the front hallway, listing the latest LVC news and events, as well as additional signage and banners. The Hall of Champions complements the Heilman Center hallway, which has already seen the addition of LVC's team championship banners, as well as framed, retired jerseys.

National Science Foundation Awards Grant to Chemistry

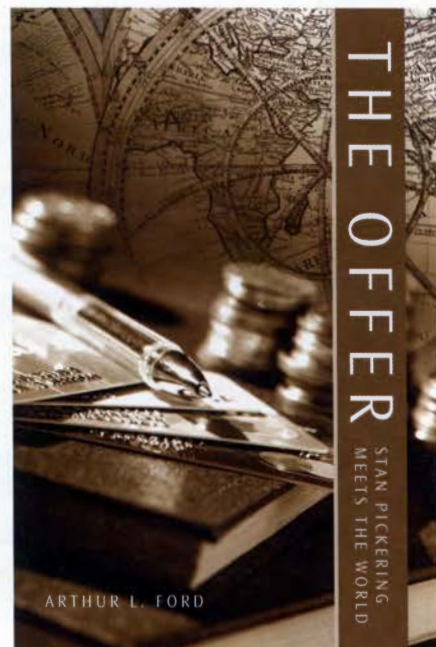
The National Science Foundation (NSF) awarded a three-year grant worth \$144,000 to **Dr. Timothy Peelen**, assistant professor of chemistry, to enable his research group to study new methods for the synthesis of unnatural, Fmoc-protected amino acids. The grant, awarded as part of the NSF's *Research in Undergraduate Institutions Program*, will provide summer research salaries for LVC chemistry students, as well as fund new equipment and monies for student and faculty travel to scientific meetings where they will present their findings.

Dr. Ford Publishes *The Offer: Stan Pickering Meets the World*

Dr. Art Ford '59, professor *emeritus* of English, has published his second novel. *The Offer: Stan Pickering Meets the World* (Booksurge Publishing, 2009) tells the story of a middle-aged English professor at a small liberal arts college in Ohio who accepts his dissertation advisor's request to scatter his ashes in meaningful locations around the world. Stan travels to England, Greece, Syria, Malaysia, China, and Russia, depositing his advisor's ashes in locations suitable for his departed colleague.

The novel is partly autobiographical, describing locations that Ford visited during a sabbatical in Cambridge, England; during Fulbright appointments in Damascus, Syria, and Nanjing, China; and as LVC's dean of international programs.

The Offer, as well as Ford's previous novel, *Shunned*, and his non-fiction book, *Cinderella and the Seven Dwarfs: The Lebanon Valley College 1952–53 Basketball Team's Improbable Run to the NCAA Sweet Sixteen*, can be purchased at the LVC College Store (www.lvc.edu/collegestore) and on www.amazon.com.



Dietrich Named to Newton and Adelaide Burgner Professorship in Instrumental Music



Dr. Johannes Dietrich, director of the LVC Symphony Orchestra, was named to the Newton and Adelaide Burgner Endowed Professorship in Instrumental Music. LVC **President Stephen MacDonald** made the announcement before a concert featuring the acclaimed Cypress String Quartet from San Francisco. The professorship was made possible through the generosity of the late **Adelaide Sanders Burgner '43**, who established the fund through a bequest in her will.

It was fitting that Dietrich (far left) was honored during the Cypress String Quartet concert—the quartet's performances and half-week residencies at LVC during the last three years were made possible by Adelaide and her late husband, **Newton Burgner '32**, as part of The Newton and Adelaide Burgner Endowed Fund for Chamber Music. Adelaide Burgner also created The Newton and Adelaide Burgner Musical Instrument Endowment Fund “to provide a permanent fund for the acquisition of new musical instruments and ongoing repairs of musical instruments.” She was the first female musician in its history to be admitted into the Reading Symphony Orchestra. She persuaded its conductor to hire her in 1932.

Third Annual Social Justice Institute Held

The annual Social Justice Institute, held on LVC's campus each January, has grown from 14 students in the inaugural year to more than 30 students in 2010. The institute, co-sponsored by the LVC Office of Multicultural Affairs and the Office of Student Activities, enables students and staff to learn more about how oppression impacts true equality in our society. The three-day diversity leadership experience included a trip to New York City to visit human and social service agencies, and to explore various neighborhoods and urban life.

Students participated in training sessions on issues of social

justice and examined social identity groups based on race, gender, sexual orientation, and socio-economic status. The institute provides strong leadership credentials for résumé enhancement, and participants are eligible to join the Pallas Society, a campus-based social justice honor society.

The success of the institute is being recognized nationally. **James Felton**, LVC's director of multicultural affairs, was accepted to co-present with two former LVC colleagues at the National American College Personnel Association Conference in Boston in March. They presented their work with the Social Justice Institute and the Pallas Society.



Members of the Social Justice Institute recently gathered for a group photo on the lawn of Kreiderheim. (front row, l. to r.): Niaomi Lugo '11, Jordan Senkbeil '13, Ashley Conzelmann '11, Andrew Texter '12, Sara Piasecki '10, Kristin Donohue '12, Jimmy Kroll '11, Violet Witter '12, and Noelle Barrett '11; (back row, l. to r.): Sean Weal '13, Marcus Cushnie '11, Ronny Acosta '11, Lamont Gayden '13, Omar Sandoval '12, Robert Ian Miller '12, Amanda Slusaw '12, Garrett Palowitch '12, Anh Tran '11, Devin Couser '12, Lisa Adamu '12, Munyaradzi Jakazi '10, Luisa Perez '12, Eric Jacobs '12, Adam Abruzzo '12, Sheraz Jones '11, Antonio Coach '12, James Felton (director of multicultural affairs), Samantha Gatewood '12, Brian Farkas '12, Kaitlin Miller '11, Christa Levko '12, and Andrea Ferguson, a graduate intern in the office of LVC Chaplain Paul Fullmer.

Getting to Know Psi Chi: The National Honor Society in Psychology

LVC students can join and become involved in a variety of campus organizations, both social and academic. One of the most active organizations at LVC, Psi Chi is a national organization that has been around for more than 80 years.

The purpose of Psi Chi is to advance the science of psychology and to encourage, stimulate, and maintain scholarship of individual members in all fields, particularly in psychology. Since its development in 1929, more than 300 chapters have been established in colleges and universities of recognized and accredited standing throughout the United States. Most of Psi Chi's active members are students. About half of these are undergraduates majoring or minoring in psychology, and half are psychology graduate students and faculty members. All inductees demonstrate scholastic excellence in the field of psychology. Students who are psychology and psychobiology majors and/or minors who have completed nine semester hours of psychology courses, have achieved a grade-point average of 3.2 in psychology and 3.2 overall, and are ranked in the top 35 percent of their graduating class are eligible for nomination to Psi Chi. Its

members sponsor a variety of programs designed to augment and enhance the regular curriculum. One such endeavor is the Psi Chi Speaker Series, where academic and professional psychologists are invited to LVC to speak to students about their work. Psi Chi also engages in various service-oriented programs (such as spending time with local nursing-home residents), attend the annual conference of the Eastern Psychological Association each spring (where students present their own research and learn about cutting-edge work in all areas of psychology), and hold biweekly organizational meetings. The group also takes part in various social activities, including the Psychology Department's Holiday Party (at the end of the fall semester) and End-Of-The-Year Barbecue (at the conclusion of each spring semester), as well as the College's Spring Arts Festival. LVC's chapter of Psi Chi is run by several student officers (elected to their positions each spring), and is advised by **Dr. Michelle Niculescu**, assistant professor of psychology. Prospective members may contact any of these individuals for additional information about the organization, or see the Psi Chi bulletin board in the department.



LVC Students Gain Early Recognition on Road to Success

To celebrate the success of the newest members of the LVC community, 212 emerging student leaders were honored during a campus reception. The first-year students were nominated by faculty and other LVC employees prior to the event.

"Our goal is to recognize and celebrate these emerging leaders of the LVC community and foster their continued development," explained **Mike Green**, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty. The celebration marked the first time the awards were given to students.

Greg Krikorian, vice president for student affairs, explained, "We are looking for students who have stood out in the classroom, in their work with classmates, as student leaders, in on-campus employment, and on the athletic and performance fields."

Caitlin Harman '13, an early childhood and special education double major from East Berlin, was recognized as an emerging student leader in February.

A Week in the Life of the Valley

Though much may have changed physically over the years on the LVC campus, you may be surprised to see how similar the experience of current students is to those of past LVC undergraduates. Today's students still write for *La Vie*, act with Wig & Buckle, serve as resident assistants in Funkhouser, and

interact personally with members of the faculty. Here is a snapshot of a week in the life of the Valley from March, 2010.

Many more photos can be viewed by visiting thevalleyonline.lvc.edu. You will also find additional campus news and notes there.





The 34 members of Student Government regularly meet in Faust Lounge. This year, Mark Fersch '10, student government president, called each meeting to order by playing a song on the piano in Faust.



Erik Furman '12, a music recording technology major, plays classic rock during his Extremely College Radio Show, which airs weekly on WLVC.



Abby Irwin '12, presents a proposal to Student Government as part of the process for obtaining club status for Active Minds. Irwin, secretary for Active Minds, is a music and psychology double major from Spring Grove.

March 15



Stuart Jeffcoat '10, an English major from Ephrata, works out in the College's state-of-the-art weight room in the Heilman Center.



Blair Ranson '12 (left) and A. J. Hall '11 speak with alumni during the College's annual Phonathon. Through the Phonathon program, student callers have been reaching out to alumni and friends for the past 25 years.



Features Editor Alyssa Bender '10 listens intently to a discussion about the upcoming issue of La Vie Collegienne in Mund. Emily Gertenbach '11 (far right) and Tony Gorick '11 (back) also write for the student newspaper.



Huyen Huynh '10, an accounting and business administration double major, makes her senior presentation in Professor Robert Leonard's Strategic Management course. Students are required to use various forms of communication during their presentation.



Jacob Rhody '12 shags a fly ball at first base during warm-up before baseball's win over King's College at McGill Field.

Dr. Chris Dolan, assistant professor of political science and director of the College's newest academic program, international studies, enjoys his lunch break with his two-year old daughter, Abigail, and his wife, Holly Gonyea Dolan (right). The couple also has a five-year old son, Braiden.



March 16



Catcher Caitlin Keller '12 warms up before LVC's doubleheader sweep of Juniata College. Keller is a chemistry major from Islip, N.Y.



Dr. Katie Oriel, assistant professor of physical therapy, observes students from her Health Promotion for Self & Society course as they implement an aquatic fitness program for children of all abilities in the community. The program provides an opportunity for children with disabilities to participate in fitness activities with their peers.



Lou Sorrentino '54, head men's golf coach and former LVC athletic director, stops on campus after working out at the Heilman Center.

Dr. Stacy Goodman, professor of biology (left), discusses the physiology of muscle twitch with Melissa Nogiewich '10 during a class in the Neidig-Garber Science Center. Nogiewich is a health science major from Pine Beach, N.J.





Kristin Shoop '13 (above, left), a health science major from Milton, prepares to run a lap around the Arnold Stadium track with Zar Zaire Waite, a Special Olympics team member. Track and field training is one of many projects that Community Dutchmen, LVC's student chapter of Special Olympics, participates in each year in partnership with the Lebanon Office of Special Olympics.



Amy Nordall '12, an English major from Lebanon, takes advantage of the campus-wide wireless internet access to research a paper outside of North College Hall.



James Felton, director of multicultural affairs, launches the inaugural dinner celebrating Women's History Month. Inspired by Judy Chicago's The Dinner Party, LVC's Office of Multicultural Affairs invites students, faculty, and guests to pay tribute to women in history by creating their own "place settings" celebrating their favorite women throughout history.

March 17



Stuart Malina (far right), music director of the Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra and LVC Lazin Resident, teaches as a guest conductor in Professor Hannes Dietrich's Principles of Conducting class. Lazin Residents participate in class discussion or help teach classes during three days on campus each March.



Dr. Stephen MacDonald, LVC president (right), speaks with Stuart Malina during a Lazin Series reception at Kreiderheim.



Michael Ardoline '10 (right), a physics and philosophy double major from Enola, discusses his independent study project with Dr. Bob Valgenti, assistant professor of philosophy. Ardoline researches philosopher and politician Gianni Vattimo.



Rob Hosler '13 prepares his monoprint plate for the press during Nancy Williams' Printmaking class in the Gladys M. Fencil Building. Hosler is a computer science and art and art history double major from Harrisburg.

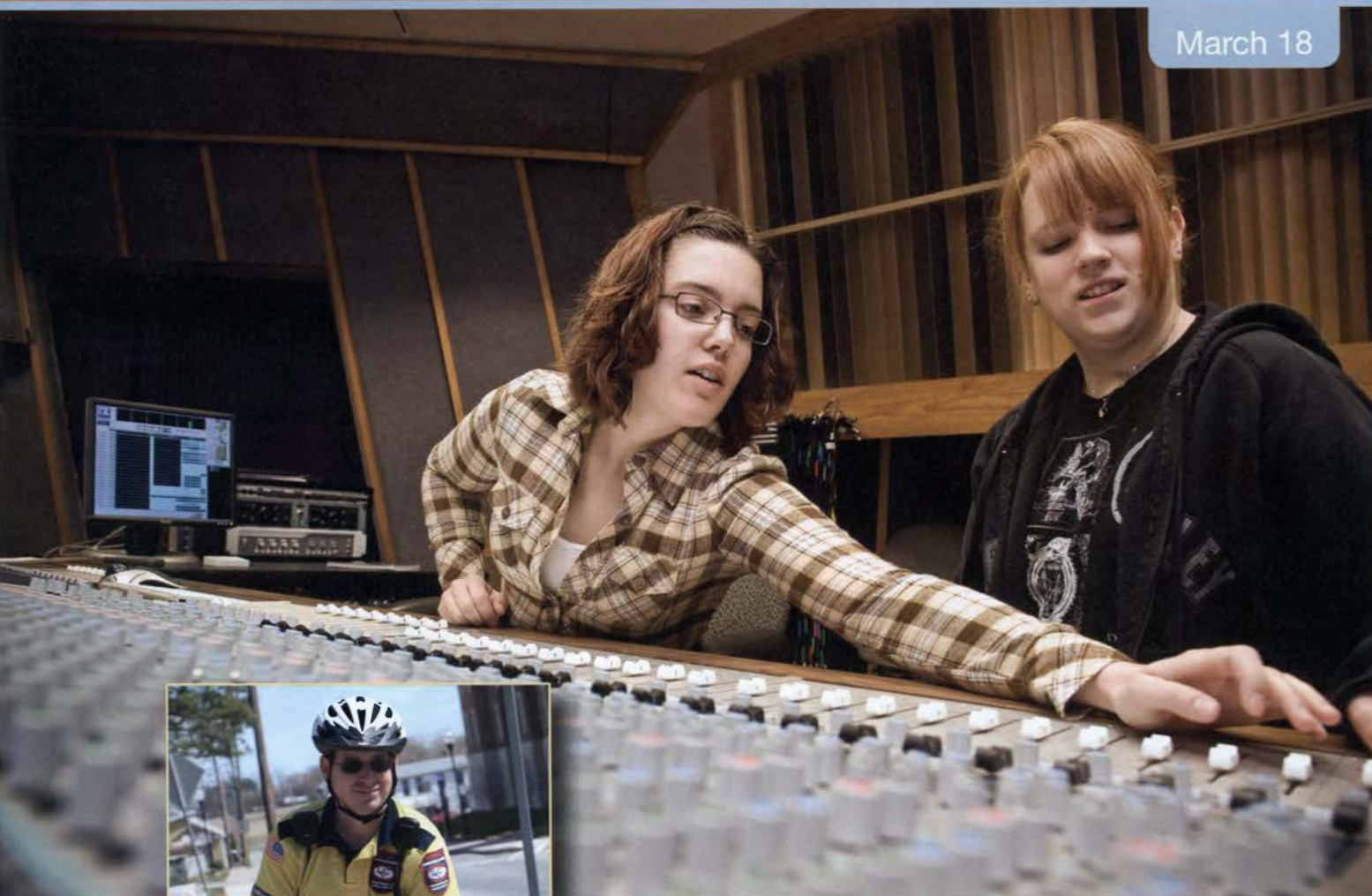


Art and art history major Erica Trapasso '10 serves as a gallery attendant in the Suzanne H. Arnold Art Gallery. Trapasso is interning at the Princeton University Art Museum this summer.



Professor Linda Summers, assistant professor of education and director of field experiences, explains a project to Michelle Cowdell '11, an elementary education major from Manahawkin, N.J. Cowdell's sister, Danielle '09, is the head cheerleading coach at LVC.

March 18



Amanda Foote '12 (above, left), a music recording technology and physics double major from Tompkinsville, Ky., and Christa Levko '12, a music recording technology major from Hicksville, N.Y., work on a recording console during Dr. Barry Hill's Recording Engineering class.



Public Safety Officer Sean Frawley, a former eight-year member of the United States Capitol Police force, is well known to students due to his regular bike rides through campus.

Members of LVC's chapter of Relay for Life prepare to launch 200 biodegradable balloons to raise money for the American Cancer Society. The balloons were personalized with names and messages for loved ones affected by cancer.





Dramaturge Dr. Kevin Pry '76 (above, center), associate professor of English and advisor to Wig & Buckle, critiques students' work on a scene during his Advanced Acting class in the Leedy Theater.



Jeff Anderson '09 returned incognito to his alma mater to cheer on his former teammates during the annual LVC Invitational track and field meet at Arnold Field.



Nick Boaz '10 (left), an ACS (American Chemical Society) chemistry major from Duncannon, conducts research in the organic chemistry lab in the Neidig-Garber Science Center. Boaz will be pursuing graduate studies in organic chemistry at Princeton University in the fall.

March 19



Jeremy Neese '12, a chemistry major from Morgantown, previews the LVC campus virtual tour in Hammond Hall with Kelly Zimmerman '12, a mathematics and English double major from Pine Grove. Sarah Beatty '13, a biology major from Mohrsville, looks on.



(left to right): Derek Cool, an English major from Fairfield; Katelyn Leibman '10, a music and French double major from Sinking Spring; and Caleb Brown '10, a music business and music double major from Ephrata, sample French marmalade during International Culture Day in the Arnold Sports Center.



Rick Voight, adjunct instructor in English (center), applies "facial hair" to Ashley Conzelmann '11 during a Stage Makeup for the Actor class, held backstage in Leedy Theater. (left to right): Classmates Aleka Liazis '11, Arlene Reiter '11, Bryan Phanthavong '10, and Alyssa Kreider '10 await their turn.

March 20



Hundreds of accepted students and their families visited campus on a perfect March day for Live... Up Close, a special program hosted by the Admission Office exclusively for accepted students and held in the LVC Gymnasium.



Lacrosse players (left to right) Jennifer Strack '13, Brittany Kreider '12, Jackie Hoover '13, and Kristen Rooney '13 prepare for their 18-14 win over King's College.



Dr. Stephen MacDonald, LVC president (far left), speaks with an accepted student and his family during Live... Up Close.

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NOTE: All locations are in Pennsylvania unless otherwise noted.

Editor's Note: Due to a major database conversion during the summer of 2009, many submitted Class Notes could not be included in the Fall 2009 Valley. They are included here in an expanded Class Notes. I thank all alumni for their patience and hope that you continue to share your great news with fellow alumni.

Births

Teresa M. Scianna-Gonder '94 and her husband, Matthew, welcomed a daughter, Francesca Maria, into their family on Feb. 3, 2009.

Susan Cohen Thorpe '94 and her husband, Dean Krom, welcomed a daughter, Brooke Georgette, into their family on May 2, 2009. She joins big brother Jake, 4.

Sandy Bambrick Holt '96 and her husband, Bill, welcomed a son, William James, into their family on Nov. 9, 2009.

Beth Schlundt Tinsley '96 and her husband, Mark, welcomed a son, Jack Avery, into their family on Feb. 12, 2009. Jack joins a brother, Luke, and sister, Megan, who are home schooled by Beth.

Ana Prewitt-Rodriguez Farr '97 and her husband, John, welcomed a daughter, Cadence Analise, into their family on March 14, 2009. She joins big brother Sebastian, 7.

Elizabeth Masessa Carmona '98 and her husband, **Willy Carmona '98**, welcomed a son, Zion Manuel, into their family on Aug. 12, 2009. He joins sister Autumn Elizabeth, 4, and brother Xander Luis Antonio, 2. Elizabeth teaches music in the Randolph Township schools in Randolph, N.J. Willy teaches music in the Dover Public School, Dover, N.J.

Stephanie Gipe Hoke '98 and her husband, Jonathan, welcomed twins, Grant Joseph and Grace Ann, into their family on June 5, 2009.

Aaron F. Strenkoski '98 and his wife, Alicia, welcomed a son, Bryce Patrick, into their family on Aug. 25, 2009.

Michelle Kercher Hawley '99 and her husband, Matthew, welcomed a son, Jhayce Theodore, into their family on Jan. 6, 2008.

Melissa Brecht Mullen '99 and her husband, Mark, welcomed a son, Luke Matthew, into their family on June 27, 2009. Melissa is a labor relations supervisor for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Department of Transportation.

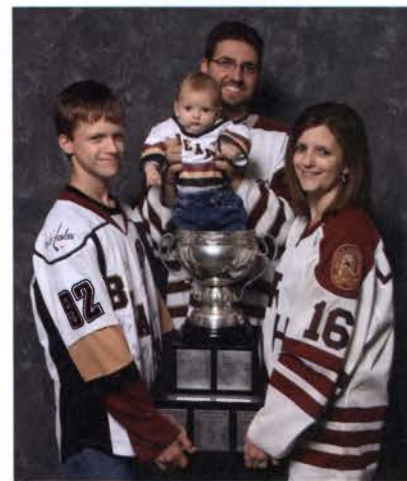
Stephen Andrew Raab '99 and his wife, Trinda, welcomed a daughter, Nahla Eveliese, into their family on May 28, 2009. She joins older sister, Ursula Analiese, 3.

Stephanie Reed Burkholder '00 and her husband, Ken, welcomed a son, Jacob Michael, into their family on April 12, 2009.

Kristina Windish Gottshall '00 and her husband, David, welcomed a daughter, Abigail Lien, into their family on March 7, 2009.

Heather Gateau McEndree '00 and her husband, **Brandon McEndree '02**, welcomed a son, Ian Gerard, into their family on May 8, 2009.

Joya Tobias Morrissey '00 and her husband, Thomas, welcomed a son, Thomas III, into their family on Jan. 16, 2009. Joya is the owner of Willow Springs Estates in Richland.



Brock Kerchner '01 (above) his wife, Kim, and son, Kyle, welcomed a daughter, Gabriella Alexis, into their family on June 19, 2009. Brock works full time for Clear Channel Radio in sales and on-air reporting for the Hershey Bears Hockey Club.

Lynne Tenley Shapiro '01 and her husband, **David Shapiro '99**, welcomed a daughter, Emma Lynne, into their family on Feb. 13. Dave is the director of technical services at LVC.

Michelle Walmsley Vigneux '01 and her husband, Michael, welcomed a son, Landon David, into their family on Aug. 3, 2009.

Andrea Howard Dormer '02 and her husband, **John M. Dormer IV '02**, welcomed a daughter, Anna Elizabeth, into their family on Nov. 14, 2009. John received his master's degree in science education in August 2009 from Walden University. Andrea was named employee of the quarter by the West Shore School District for excellence in teaching.

Jessica Wieand Kiel '02 and her husband, Timothy, welcomed a daughter, Kira Marie, into their family on Sept. 16, 2009.

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Erica Gosart Moser '02 and her husband, Drew, welcomed a daughter, Kasey Alexis, into their family on June 13, 2009. She joins big sister Kaitlyn, 3. Erica is a high school guidance counselor at Agora Cyber Charter School in Devon.

Mary Hoagland Nason '02 and her husband, Jeff, welcomed a son, Judah David, into their family on Nov. 9, 2009. He joins older siblings Caleb and Leah.

Jennifer Newcomer Stahlnecker '02 and her husband, Brent, welcomed a daughter, Megan Nicole, into their family on Oct. 17, 2009.

Robin Ahearn Brosius '03 and her husband, **Frederick Brosius Jr. '01**, welcomed a daughter, Luna Claire, into their family on July 18, 2009. Both parents are classroom music teachers in the Anchorage (Alaska) School District.



Emma Kline (*above*), daughter of **Jenna Micozzi Kline '03** and **Jeffrey Scott Kline '04**, will celebrate her second birthday on June 14.

Jacklyn "Jacki" Ebert Kratz '03 and her husband, **Eric R. Kratz '04**, welcomed a daughter, Lily Abigail, into their family on Dec. 14, 2008. Proud maternal grandparents are **Tamlyn Herr Ebert '79** and **Thomas C. Ebert '78**.

Melissa Youse MacCormack '03 and her husband, **Doug MacCormack '04**, welcomed a son, Colin Douglas, into

their family on Feb. 4. Doug is a financial advisor and vice president of Fulton Financial Advisors. Melissa enjoys being a stay-at-home mother.

Jessica Leffler Schock '03 and her husband, David, welcomed a daughter, Abigail Marie, into their family on Nov. 6, 2009. Jessica is a human resources specialist with the Department of the Navy in Mechanicsburg.

Kristin Conicelli Sweigard '03 and her husband, **Josh Sweigard '05**, welcomed a daughter, Ava Anna, into their family on Dec. 24, 2009. Ava joins big brother Brodie, who turns 2 on Aug. 15.

Laura Poff Lenker '04 and her husband, **Capt. Ronald Lenker '03**, welcomed a son, Cole Ronald, into their family on June 6, 2009.

Jessica Lynn Kender '08 welcomed a daughter, Mya Alexandra, into her family on May 18, 2009.

Friends

Michael Fink, assistant professor of physical therapy at LVC, and his wife, Heather, welcomed a son, Andrew Michael, into their family on March 5. Andrew joins older sister Samantha, 2.

Nate Tulli, PC support specialist at LVC, and his wife, Jess, welcomed a daughter, Samantha Marie, into their family on Nov. 28, 2009.

Scott Walck, associate professor of physics at LVC, and his wife, Peggy Bright, welcomed a daughter, Jodi Lynn, into their family on Dec. 16, 2009. Jodi joins older brothers Carl, 9, and Dan, 2.

Weddings

Denise M. Snyder '93 (*above, right*), and **Mark F. Rajchel** were married Aug. 14, 2009, in Lebanon. Wedding photos were taken at LVC's Peace Garden.

Melvin "Mel" Hellem Jr. '95 and Heather Ross were married Oct. 10, 2009, in Troy,



Mark F. Rajchel and Denise M. Snyder '93

Mich. **David Gartner '94**, **William Saltzer '95**, **Christopher Haak '97**, and **Matthew Grzywacz '99** were in the wedding party.

Tara L. Koslosky '95 and Patrick J. Hughes were married July 11, 2009, in Gaithersburg, Md. **Heather Merz '96** and **Ian Bonner '91** attended. Tara is a customer support trainer for Hughes Network Systems in Germantown, Md.



Keith Alan Phoebus '00 and Angelia Lynn Estep

Keith Alan Phoebus '00 (*above*) and **Angelia Lynn Estep** were married Sept. 8, 2009, on the island of Antigua. **Jason Vogtman '00**, **Dan Pfeil '00**, and **Ross Young '99** were groomsmen.



Amanda Lynn Snoke, Esq., '00 (above) and Matthew Dubbs were married June 13, 2009, in York. **Jane Smyser '02** was a bridesmaid, Carson Snelbaker was ring bearer, and Kylie Snelbaker was the flower girl. Carson and Kylie are the children of **Jim Snelbaker '97**, who was in attendance.

Dr. Jennifer Lynne Scheidt '01 and **Frank Zernhelt '00** were married May 15, 2009, in Philadelphia. It was the 10-year anniversary of their meeting at LVC.



Pamela R. Gaguski '03 (above) and Gregory C. Baechler were married May 8, 2009, in West Long Branch, N.J. **Jennifer Merriman '04** attended. Pam is the assistant branch manager at Kearny Federal Savings Bank in Toms River, N.J.

Lauren Michelle Hindley '03 and **Daniel Patrick Swift '03** were married Aug. 7, 2009, in Media. **Kristi Riley-Platt '03** was matron of honor and **Ann Foose Tavel '03** was a bridesmaid.



(front row, l. to r.): **Sarah O'Connell Kline '04**, **Judie Leidy Hudacs '04**, **Angie Warriner '04**, **Lauren Gabler Freeland '04**, **Jamie Cronin Bainbridge '04**, and **Becca Grudzina '04**; (back row, l. to r.): **Maria Perozzi '04**, **Amy Wagner Mintz '04**, **Alison Uzdella '04**, **Katie deProphetis '04**, **Andrea Brown '04**, and **Marisa Stoner '04**

Amy Diane Liebel '03 and **Russell L. Cody '02** were married April 23, 2009, in St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands.

Lauren Dianne Gabler '04 (above) and Jeremy M. Freeland were married Oct. 3, 2009.



Amanda Diane Bahn '05 (above) and Shawn Myers were married July 11, 2009, in Lancaster. **Sherri Pursel '04**, **Rebecca Runkle '05**, **Jolee Warrenfeltz '05**, **Lindsey Noll Fouch '05**, **Stephan Boyer '09**, **Lexi Horstman '06**, **Katie Ferree Gingerich '06**, and **Natalie Goodfellow '07** attended. While honeymooning in Oregon, they visited The Flying Dutchman Winery.

Ashley Deanne Kreider '05 (right) and Travis Pile were married Aug. 9, 2008, in Cranberry Township. Father of the bride is **Dr. Randy Kreider '80**. **Kyla Snyder '05**, **Julianne Maurer Merring '04**, **Rebecca Remaley '05**, **Laura Burdette '05**, **Amber Nolan Hadley '05**, **Rick Hadley '06**, **Kimberly Citrone '05**, and **Jolene Blain '06** attended. Ashley is an English teacher at Seneca Valley Middle School in Harmony. She received her master's degree in journalism and mass communication in December 2007 from Point Park University.

Amber Rose Nolan '05 and **Richard Jonathan Hadley '06** were married July 11, 2009, in Warminster. **Kimberly Citrone Duff '05** was maid of honor, **Mark McCormick '04** was best man, and **Austin Shemon '04** was a groomsman. **Alicia Biesecker Shemon '04**, **Ashley Kreider Pile '05**, **Lori Counterman Pitcock '03**, and **Will Pitcock '03** attended. Richard received his German K-12 teaching certificate in May 2009 from Millersville University.

Lauren Marie Shivers '05 and Eric Milanowicz were married Aug. 7, 2009, in Williamstown, N.J. **Jill Teschner '05** was a member of the bridal party. **Ashley Barber Landis '05** and **Kimberly Nash Roberson '05** both attended.

Casey Lee Sipe, Esq., '05 and Katelin Townsend were married May 16, 2009, in Highspire. **Christopher Gunnell '05** was best man, **Michael Intelisano '05** was a groomsman, and **Carrie Tonkin '05** was a bridesmaid. **Ruth Crabbs, Esq., '04** attended.



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(front row, l. to r.): **Matthew Mainster '08**, **Matthew Schrack '06**, **Andrew Long '07**, **Shaun Thompson '07**, **Brian Montgomery '07**; (middle row, l. to r.): **Mary Beth Penjucke '07**, **Jacki DePue '09**, **Sarah White '05**, **Mara Weissman Thompson '05**, **Lindsey Parent '07**, **Erin Campbell Herring '05**, **Kelly Kistler '05**; (back row, l. to r.): **Tim Wolfe '07**, **Chris Walmer '08**

Mara Hope Weissman '05 (above) and **Shaun Joseph Thompson '07** were married Aug. 2, 2009, in Richboro. **Sarah M. White '05** was maid of honor, **Andrew Long '07** was best man, and **Brian Montgomery '07** and **Matthew Mainster '08** were groomsmen. **Matthew Schrack '06**, **Mary Beth Penjucke '07**, **Jacki DePue '09**, **Lindsey Parent '07**, **Erin Campbell Herring '05**, **Kelly Kistler '05**, **Tim Wolfe '07**, and **Chris Walmer '08** attended. Mara teaches orchestra and band in the Conestoga Valley School District in Lancaster, and Shaun teaches middle school music in the Reading School District.

Alisa Frances Albers '06 and Kevin O'Connor were married Dec. 20, 2008, in Harrisburg. Alisa is a project engineer for Lockheed Martin based in Gaithersburg, Md.

Dr. Erin Elizabeth Keiper '05, D'07 and **Dr. Scott G. Marek '04, D'06** were married July 8, 2009, in Cancun, Mexico. **Dr. Stephanie Kraft Rada '05, D'07** was matron of honor. **Mark Ely '02** and **Eric Miller '05** were groomsmen and **Andrew Troutman '01** and **Jason Ambrose '05** attended. A reception was held in the newlyweds' honor on July 25, 2009, in

Manheim. **Bernie Skaudis '03**, **Jana Romlein Skaudis '01**, **Jay McGruder '02**, **E. Thomas Kuhn '03**, **Eric Miller '05**, **Lee Turkowski '04**, **Mark Ely '02**, **Andrew Troutman '01**, **John Schuster '07**, **Martha Hassler '04**, **Bobby Hassler '04**, **Dr. Gina Mirenzi '05, D'07**, **Dr. Jolee Warrenfeltz '05, D'07**, **Dr. Stephanie Kraft Rada '05, D'07**, and **Dr. Rebecka Brake '05, D'07** attended. Erin is a clinical coordinator of outpatient physical therapy services at St. Luke's Miners Memorial Hospital in Coaldale. Scott is a clinical coordinator of outpatient physical therapy services at St. Luke's Sports and Rehabilitation in Blakeslee.

Carrie Lynn Krug '06 (right) and **John T. Nedick '06** were married Aug. 8, 2009, in Nazareth. **Sheila Hershey '06**, **Jim Curry '06**, **Phillip Serio '06**, and **Nancy Locker Biederstadt '82** (aunt of the bride) were members of the wedding party. **Leslie Kerchner '04**, **Jennifer Walter Richardson '05**, **Holly Frey Serio '08**, **Lorna Hasz '06**, and **John Silipino '06** attended. **Sarah Strouse '10** played the clarinet.

Mark Robert McGuire '06 and Amanda Mary Moran were married June 26, 2009, in Buffalo, N.Y. The wedding party

included **Brandon Yenser '06** and **Jeremy "J.J." Gammache '06**. LVC alumni in attendance were **Alec Simmers '07**, **Cory Hackman '06**, and **Matt Lochman '06**. Mark is the theatrical technical director in the Cumberland Valley School District in Mechanicsburg.

Dr. Shannon Lynne Potocny '04, D'06 and **Michael Robert Chabitnoy '10** were married May 16, 2009, in Annville. **Nicole Chabitnoy Loser '04** was matron of honor, and **Stacey Fisher '04** was a bridesmaid. **Robert Chabitnoy '74** and **Valerie Wenger Chabitnoy '78** are the parents of the groom. Shannon is a physical therapist at Good Samaritan Health System in Lebanon. Michael is a four-year veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, having served one-year tours in Iraq and Afghanistan. He is employed part-time at J. Crew in Hershey.

Dr. Jessica Lynn Bagley '07, D'09 and **Kristopher Gazzi '07** (opposite page, top) were married May 23, 2009, in LVC's Miller Chapel. **Eileen Jahn '07** and **Angela Undercuffler '07** were bridesmaids, and **Gregory Kauffman '09** and **Alexander Reber '07** were groomsmen. LVC chaplain **Dr. Paul Fullmer** officiated the ceremony. **Claudia Gazsi**, assistant professor of physical therapy at LVC, is the mother of the groom. **Patrick Salomon '10**, **Becky Schaffer '09**, **Keith Reifsnnyder '06**, **Mary Beth Penjucke '07**, **Elwood Brandt '08**,



(back row, l. to r.): **Holly Frey Serio '08**, **Phillip Serio '06**, **Lorna Hasz '06**, **John C. Silipino '06**, **Jen Walter Richardson '05**, **Leslie Kerchner '04**, **Sheila Hershey '06**, **Nancy Locker Biederstadt '82**; (front row, l. to r.): **Jim Curry III '06**, **John Nedick '06**, **Carrie Krug Nedick '06**



(back row, l. to r.): *Dr. Diane Johnson*, *Coach Mary Gardner*, *Patrick Salomon '10*, *Gregory Kauffman '09*, *Alex Reber '07*, *Keith Reifsnnyder '06*, *Matt Hooper '06*, *Zach Kaufman '07*, *Matt Martin '07*, *Tim Wolfe '07*, *Kelly Wenrich O'Brien '07*, *Coach James O'Brien '07*, *Rev. Dr. Paul Fullmer*; (front row, l. to r.): *Becky Schaffer '09*, *Mary Beth Penjucke '07*, *Crystal Cascarino '07*, *Angela Undercuffler '07*, *Eileen Jahn '07*, *Dr. Jessica Bagley Gazzi '07*, *D'09*, *Kris Gazzi '07*, *Vanessa Jones '06*, *Sarah Carter '07*, *Rachel Moore '08*, *Lauren Woodring '08*

Crystal Cascarino '07, **Matt Hooper '06**, **Vanessa Jones '06**, **Sarah Carter '07**, **Zach Kaufman '07**, **Matt Martin '07**, **Tim Wolfe '07**, **Rachel Moore '08**, **Lauren Woodring '08**, **Kelly Wenrich O'Brien '07**, and **James O'Brien '07** attended. **Mary Gardner**, LVC's aquatic director and head swim coach, and **Dr. Diane Johnson**, assistant professor of political science at LVC, also attended.

Megan Kathryn Gross '07 and **Kenny Block** were married June 13, 2009, in Pottstown. Megan teaches English as a Second Language in the Antietam School District in Reading.

Jodi Lynn Lehman '07 and **Edward Otto Stuber '07** were married Oct. 17, 2009, in LVC's Miller Chapel. **Jonathan J. Detman '07** was the best man, **Rebecca "Becca" Reber '07** served as host, and **Andrew Long '07** served as organist. **Krista Wisner '08** attended.

Jennifer Lynn Parks '07 (right) and **Rob Hildebrand** were married Aug. 1, 2009, in Deptford, N.J. **Aubrey Coulter '06** and **Kelly O'Toole '07** were members of the bridal party. **Allie Butler '07**, **Adrianne Mezzino '07**, **Ashley Coombs '07**, **Casie Miller '07**, **Lauren Sanford '08**, **Amy Brandt '07**, **Jennifer Roberts '07**, **Brad Brandt '07**, and **Grant Martzall '07** attended.

Brianna Nicole Brumbach '08 and **Nolan Gill** were married Aug. 8, 2009, at Ski Roundtop in Lewisberry. **Brittany Sanders**

'08 was maid of honor and **Jacqueline "Jackie" Hane '08**, **Mallory Hane '08**, and **Renee Bell '08** attended.

Richella Hankins '08 and **Kevin S. Daub '08** were married May 29, 2009, in Lancaster. **William Best '09** was a groomsman and **Durrell Martin '08** served as honor attendant.

Jennifer Lynn Wagner '08 and **David Michael Blystone** were married June 20, 2009, in Myerstown. **Sarah Beth Wagner '12**, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. **Emily Marie Fitez '08** and **Sharon Ann Zearfoss '08** were bridesmaids, and

Adam B. Blandy '11 was an usher. **Karen Rittle Wagner '80** is mother of the bride. Jennifer is a second-grade teacher in the Palmyra Area School District and teaches violin at LVC.

Ashleigh Renee Symenski '09 and **Clair Douglas Felpel '09** were married May 26, 2009, on Cinnamon Bay Beach, St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands. **Shandra Dohoney '09** and **Kenny Potter '09** were in the bridal party. **Amanda Knapp '09** and **Jessica Swain '09** attended. The newlyweds are both attending the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine in Lewisburg, W.Va.



(back row, l. to r.): *Allie Butler '07*, *Adrianne Mezzino '07*, *Ashley Coombs '07*, *Casie Miller '07*, *Lauren Sanford '08*, *Aubrey Coulter '06*, *Kelly O'Toole '07*; (front row, l. to r.): *Amy Brandt '07*, *Jennifer Parks Hildebrand '07*, *Jenn Roberts '07*

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Heidi Elizabeth Zeigler '09 and Andrew Collins Reinecker were married Dec. 19, 2009, in Carlisle. **Keirsten Hamilton '08**, **Savannah Coombs '09**, **Crystal Zakszeski '09**, and **Kevin Carney '09** were among the wedding party, and **Donald Reinecker '73**, uncle of the groom, was a lector. **Tina Cosma '09**, **Nate Grim '09**, **Jess Hildebrand '09**, **Hunter Chadeayne '09**, **Laurel Klappholz '10**, **Kendall Barbera '09**, **Steven Kurtz '09**, and **Ryan Meier '08** attended.

Class Notes

'40s

Martha Davies DeHaven '42 has been working as a guide for the New Castle

Delaware Historical Society for 20 years, and wishes to continue working there until she's 90.

Verna Kreider Schenker '43 continues to teach piano at the age of 88 and is active in religious and community activities.

'50s

Jane McMurtrie Hart '53 and her husband, H. Douglas, celebrated their 50th wedding

anniversary by taking a cruise to the Mediterranean, with visits to Italy, Greece, the Greek Isles, and Turkey.

Edith Werntz Taylor '55 says that although retired, she is giving her 12-year-old grandson, Griffin, piano lessons and it's an "absolute delight!"

Dr. David Willoughby '55 recently had published the seventh edition of his music-appreciation textbook, *The World of Music* (McGraw Hill Humanities, 2010).

Dr. Joseph A. Brechbill '57 is retired from the Milton Hershey School where he was awarded an honorary alumnus degree and named an *emeritus* curator of historical records and school history.

Emma Elizabeth Herr '57 is the recording secretary of the Musical Art Society in Lancaster. She plays the clarinet in nearby retirement homes, publicizes the society's

concerts throughout the year in local newspapers and bulletin boards, and attends rehearsals and concerts of the Lancaster County Youth Symphony and Lancaster County Junior Orchestra.

The Hon. Wayne G. Hummer Jr. '59 had been the senior judge in the Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County before his retirement in December 2008. He had served on the bench for 28 years.

'60s

Dr. Richard Harper '60 retired in 1997 from the U.S. Navy Dental Corps with 31 years

of service, where his last assignment was as dean of the Navy Dental Corps Post-Graduate School at the Naval Hospital in Bethesda, Md. He's in his 12th year as staff consultant for dentistry at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation in Ohio.

In April 2009, **Richard S. Miller '60** was inducted into the newly established Pennsylvania Music Educators Association Hall of Fame for outstanding teaching of music in the Commonwealth.

Judith "Judy" Leith Lohmann '61

and her husband, Watson, have been actively volunteering in their Pitman, N.J., community for many years. The Nov. 23, 2009 edition of the *Gloucester County Times* (Woodbury, N.J.) featured an article detailing the Lohmanns' years of service and volunteerism. Judy said in the article, "There are so many opportunities with churches, community organizations, and schools. If you do something for somebody else, you feel better. And for older people, it's a reason to get up in the morning. When you see a project you worked on come to fruition, it's really amazing."

Dr. Peter Riddle '61 has published his 20th book and eighth novel, a portrait of a child musical prodigy, *Keeping Rebecca* (Idiomatic, 2009).

Aglaia Stephanis Ahmed '62 and her husband, Mumtaz, had a great time visiting her former LVC roommate, **Patsy Wise Rudy '62**, and her husband, Fred, this past summer. They spent several days touring historic Williamsburg, Va.

Constance Myers Brown '62 resides at Brethren Village Retirement Community in Lancaster. She says she's grateful for the residence and wonderful support, especially when her husband passed away from Parkinson's disease.

In June 2009, **Elizabeth Williams Van de Water '63** spoke at a dedication ceremony in honor of her late husband, **Henry "Hank" Van de Water '62**, who died on July 5, 2008. Wissahickon High School renamed its Audion in honor of Hank, who worked in the school district for 31 years, serving as principal of the school from 1985 until his retirement in 1993. The Class of 1989 initiated this effort, in hopes that the dedicated Audion will keep Hank's approach to education in the minds of the current faculty members and his memory alive in the minds of those students whose lives he touched.

Robert "Bob" F. Daigneault '64 recently co-edited the book, *The Heart of a Father: Essays by Men Affected by Congenital Heart Defects* (Baby Hearts Press, 2009) with his daughter, Anna Marie Jaworski. He also authored one of the essays in the book. Bob is currently vice president of marketing and publicity for Baby Hearts Press, a small publisher dedicated to books about congenital heart defects.

Dr. Larry L. Funck '64 was appointed chief reader in Wheaton College's advanced placement chemistry program. His term extends from 2010 to 2013, and involves direction of the annual reading of approximately 100,000 exams by 250 high school and college chemistry faculty during one week in June. He recently completed his 40th year with the chemistry faculty at Wheaton College in Illinois.

Dolores Mallory Neuroth '64 recently retired as a medical technologist from the laboratory of Carthage Area Hospital in New York.

Runette White Gabrielle '65, Berks County singer and longtime nurse administrator, recently portrayed Harriet Tubman for the Berks County Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution Famous Ladies' Tea. She has been a soloist at Christ Episcopal Church in Reading for the past 33 years.

Patricia Thornton '67 is the assistant director of special education for the Conrad Weiser Area School District.

David P. Keehn '68 is the education coordinator at Bevier House Museum in Kingston, N.Y. He researches and writes historical immersion programs for school groups.

The Rev. Dennis R. Snovel '69 retired from full-time pastoral ministry with the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church in June 2009 after 37 years of service. He and his wife, Cindi, are the parents of **Todd Snovel '06**, who is associate director of annual giving at LVC.

'70s

Foundation in State College.

Barbara Asplund Burgess '71 is a learning consultant for the South Orange-Maplewood School District in Essex County, N.J.

Lydia Kauffman Schnetzka '72 recently retired as director of special education for the Dallastown Area School District after 37 years in education.

After 35 years in education, **Joseph A. Gargiulo '73** retired from teaching and

The Rev. Dr. George E. Zeiders '70 is a member of the board of directors of the Centre County

school district administration in New Cumberland's West Shore School District. Prior to his retirement in June 2008, he was the director of secondary education for the district. Joseph is a member of the Lebanon Valley College Alumni Chorale.

Debra Kirchhof-Glazier '73 is a professor of biology and director of the Health Professions Program at Juniata College in Huntingdon. She was recently elected to the board of directors for the Southcentral Pennsylvania Area Health Education Center for the promotion of rural medicine. Debra is passionate about preventive care and integrative medicine.

Tierney Renews Women's Lacrosse

BY PAT HUGGINS



Trying to build something from the ground up, be it a home, business, or athletic program, can be an incredibly formidable task.

But as **Brianne Tierney** can tell you, it is not without rewards.

As the architect/head coach in charge of overseeing the first LVC women's lacrosse program in 25 years, Tierney has shown her players and herself that there is great value to be found in the hard work required to create something out of nothing.

"It's an exciting process," says Tierney, a 2007 graduate of Colgate University.

"It's new and interesting, but a whole lot of fun. The players are happy to be building the program and becoming part of a tradition. They are taking a lot of pride in that."

Tierney knew she had her work cut out for her when she was hired in June 2009. "It was a little bit daunting," she says. "But I was excited. It is easier to build something from nothing than to come into a program where there are already expectations."

Though she was just two years removed from her own collegiate days when she came to Lebanon Valley, Tierney brought with her impressive coaching and playing credentials.

The youngest of four children born to Bill Tierney—a legend in collegiate men's lacrosse coaching circles after guiding Princeton to six national titles—Tierney played on two Patriot

League championship teams at Colgate. Following her playing days, she served as an assistant coach at both Monmouth University and the University of California before deciding to come to Annville and help revive a women's lacrosse program that previously existed from 1975 to 1985.

"I was excited to put my own spin on things," says Tierney, who credited LVC men's lacrosse coach **John Haus** with helping her in the building process. "As a first-time head coach, this program will be forever close to my heart, regardless of who my first players were."

As it turned out, her new team started out strong, winning four of its first eight games, an admirable achievement under the circumstances. And, one of Tierney's players, **Hana Krechel '13**, was named Middle Atlantic Conference Women's Lacrosse Player of the Week during the first two weeks of the season.

But for Tierney, who comes from an extremely competitive, athletic-minded family that includes siblings and fellow coaches Brendan, Trevor, and Courtney, the early wins were nice, but not necessarily a cause for rejoicing—yet.

"I think I'm the only one who is not surprised," says Tierney, with a laugh. "I wish it was a better record. I have very high expectations for this program, myself, and these students. However, the big part of it isn't wins and losses, but playing a full game and being proud of what you did on the field."

And, of course, stopping along the way to admire what is being created out of all that hard work.

Pat Huggins is a freelance writer from Lebanon and a sportswriter for the Lebanon Daily News.

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Dr. J. Scott Deiter '74 was re-elected to a two-year term as chair of the Federal Laboratory Consortium for technology transfer in Washington, D.C. This consortium includes every federal laboratory throughout the country.

Dr. Robert E. Harbaugh '74 is the director of the Penn State Institute of Neurosciences. He was recently elected as a director of the American Board of Neurological Surgery and continues to serve as a member of LVC's Board of Trustees.

Mary De Loache Jennings '74 presented a workshop at the Sigma Alpha Iota Triennial Convention in Chicago, where she was elected Iota A province officer. She also presented a workshop on choral

music at the American Choral Directors Association conference at George Mason University in Virginia.

The Rev. Gregg E. Townsley '74 was elected treasurer and secretary of the Oregon Chapter of the International Association for Hospital Safety and Security. He and his family are enjoying their "new" 90-year-old house and all the work that goes with it.

Charles D. Brown III '75 is the director of human services for Monmouth County, N.J. He has worked for the county for the last 27 years.

Eileen Briggs House '75 retired in June 2009, after teaching elementary music for the East Pennsboro Area School district

for 34 years. Her son, **Troy Di Raddo '09**, majored in music recording technology.

Susanne Beers Essex '76 continues to teach German at Snohomish High School in Washington. She travels as much as possible.

In October 2009, **Jean Boag Reese '76** completed the three-day, 60-mile walk for breast cancer in Washington, D.C., raising more than \$8,000 for cancer research. Her husband, **Tim Reese '76**, manages the arena at the University of Tennessee.

Doreen Breder Sigman '76 travels with Much Ministries, Inc., and lives in Gonaives, Haiti. She is helping to establish a first-time school in the village of Jubilee and is

A Family Business

BY EMILY GERTENBACH '11

Often LVC alumni pursue careers related to their major, but then there are the exceptions.

One is **Matthew Murphy '05**, who graduated with a business major and psychology minor. An inside sales coordinator for Yang Ming America Corporation by day, at night and on weekends Murphy works to build a different business—dirt car racing.

"I have been involved with racing since I was a kid because my dad has raced for the last 25 years," Murphy says. "I helped with his cars until I was old enough to race go-karts. I raced go-karts for four years and then began racing dirt late models when I was 21, as part of a two-car team with my father."

That lifelong interest in racing eventually evolved into a business venture, one that Murphy's business major from LVC has inspired.

"Racing has turned into a side business," Murphy says. "I started Murphy Racing, which I run as a sole proprietor. I own my car and manage costs, sponsors, team marketing, and anything else that arises. At LVC, I learned the importance of appearance, professionalism, and how to interact with fans and potential sponsors." There, he also met and proposed to his wife, **Christine Jessen Murphy '05**.

Despite being in school full-time, his dream of racing professionally matured and strengthened. Today, he says, "My ultimate goal is to win races and promote my sponsors



through public appearances, printed materials, interviews, and a future website."

As Murphy cultivates his business, he is anticipating the next event in his racing career.

"I am looking forward to the Appalachian Mountain Late Model Speed Week. Over seven days, we will race on seven tracks in three states," Murphy explains. "There is \$5,000 in prize money awarded each night, so I am hoping for a successful week."

Emily Gertenbach '11, an English major, is an aspiring journalist, acts with Wig & Buckle, writes for La Vie Collegienne, and is co-president of Greenblotter, the campus literary journal.

responsible for curriculum development and teacher education.

In the fall of 2009, **Dr. Robert S. Frey '77** earned a doctoral degree in management from the University of Maryland University College. He is the owner/principal of Successful Proposal Strategies, LLC, in Oakton, Va.

In May 2009, **Brenda Hawkins Geist '78** received the Teamwork/Partnership Achievement Award from the New Jersey Dept. of Labor and Workforce Development commissioner, David Socolow, and former Governor Jon Corzine.

Lisa Hocker Dew '79 retired July 1, 2009, from Anne Arundel County Public Schools after 30 years as an instrumental music teacher.

Alfred E. Maree '79 is the general manager at Smokey Bones Bar & Fire Grill in West Chester, Ohio.



Kathy Miller Bennett '80, associate director of Network of Victim Assistance in Jamison,

received the 2009 Governor's Victim Service Pathfinder Award for individual organizational capacity building. She was recognized for her contributions in the victim services movement through her resourcefulness and innovation in advocating for the rights of crime victims.

June Collier Beyer '80 teaches adult English as a Second Language. She's a member of the Virginia Watercolor Society and Sacred Dance Guild. Her husband, **Michael S. Beyer '80**, is chief executive officer of Beyer Automotive. They reside in Falls Church, Va.

Michele Long Graffis '81 is finishing her 27th year teaching primary grades. Michele teaches at Clinton Public School in Clinton, N.J., and says, "Let's get together in 2011—30 years!"

After 22 years as the choral director and music department chair at Middletown High School, **Denise Achey Berry '82** is now the general music teacher at Waverly Elementary School in Frederick, Md., where she directs the chorus and is an

advisor for the drum club. She also is the youth choir director at Trinity United Methodist Church in Frederick.

Maureen J. Mills '82 was recently promoted to principal environmental planner at Parsons Transportation Group. Her most recent assignment was at the U.S. Air Force headquarters, where she was assigned to the Pentagon's air staff to review and approve environmental documents prepared for U.S. Air Force bases around the world.

The Rev. James "Jim" H. Hollister '85 is the pastor at First United Methodist Church of Towanda.

Jeffrey C. Firestone '86 sold his partnership interest in the firm Good, Firestone and Remlinger CPA's to become chief financial officer of Dutch Valley Food Distributors, Inc., in Myerstown.

Joanne Janeski Adams '87 is a senior state trooper with the Virginia State Police. She and her husband, Bob, live in Wicomico Church, Va., with their menagerie of dogs, cats, and birds. Her mother-in-law, **Janet Whitesell Alford '39**, passed away in 2006.

Ingrid Peterson '87 received her TESL endorsement to teach English to speakers of other languages.

After a 12-year hiatus as a private teacher and stay-at-home mom, **Lisa Russoniello Sabatino '88** is teaching vocal music at Wayne Valley High School and Anthony Wayne Middle School in New Jersey. She also is the summer musical theater camp director at Smiling Rhino Theatre in Pompton Lakes, N.J.

Beth Trout Coder '89 is a guidance counselor at Lincoln Middle School in the School District of Lancaster. She and her husband, Brian, have two children, Rebecca, 12, and Tyler, 9.

Leslie R. Marlo Sullivan '89 was elected vice president of administration of the Casualty Actuarial Society in Arlington, Va.

Kenneth W. Miller '89 is an addictions counselor with Firetree Ltd. in Hummelstown.



Mike Anthony McGranaghan '90 is the film critic for the Sunbury Broadcasting

Corporation and the website *The Aisle Seat* (www.aisleseat.com). He also is a regular contributor to *The Rotten Tomatoes Show*, a weekly movie review program broadcast on Current TV.

Amy Waterfield Wills '91 is the operations manager at Cochran Trucking in Baltimore, Md.

Terrence Monteverde M'92 is the chief credit officer for the Millersburg-based Mid Penn Bank.

Shawn T. Snively '92 is the lead network administrator at The Reading Hospital and Medical Center in West Reading.

Dr. Kevin Sutovich '92 was recently promoted to principal scientist at W.R. Grace & Company in Columbia, Md., where he has worked for 12 years.

Sandra Fauser '93 is an elementary principal in the Camp Hill School District.

Bohdan "Bo" Setlock '93 is enjoying his new career in sales at Annville Auto Center and coaching his sons in baseball in the Annville area. He and his wife, **Amy Daugherty Setlock '92**, also have a daughter, Danika Pearl, 3, who enjoys cheering for her brothers.

Dr. Melissa Fleegal DeMotta '94 is an assistant professor of biology at Clarke College in Dubuque, Iowa.

Terry Gordon M'94 was recently re-elected to the Pennsylvania Homecare Association board of directors for a three-year term. He is the vice president of finance and chief financial officer of Home Health Care Management in Wyomissing.

Lisa Hollowbush Litzenberger '95 was named Teacher of the Month by About Families Publications. She is a fourth-grade teacher at Conrad Weiser East Elementary in Wernersville.

Jason Zitter '96 is the vice president/sales unit manager at Bank of America in Brea, Calif.

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Capt. Nathan Hillegas '97 was stationed at Fort Hood, Texas, and is currently deployed to Iraq. This is his fourth deployment, having already served once in Afghanistan and twice in Iraq.

William "Bill" Schwartz '98 received his MBA in December 2009 from the University of Maryland University College. He is a contract specialist with the United States Army, CECOM Contracting Center, at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. He and his wife, Kristi, have a son, Nathan, 2.



Photo courtesy of Hedy Bergsman

TSgt. Lori Moyer McCarty '99 (above) of the Pennsylvania Air National Guard, sang "God Bless America" during the seventh-inning stretch in Game Five of the World Series (Phillies vs. Yankees) in November 2009.

'00

Lawrence M. Larthey IV '00 is an assistant middle school principal at Stroudsburg Middle School in the Stroudsburg Area School District.

Christopher D. Probst '00 completed his doctorate in trumpet performance in August 2009 at the University of Georgia. He is an adjunct professor at two universities in Georgia and a freelance trumpet player throughout the Southeast United States.

'01

Shawn A. Berwager '01, M'09 is a client account administrator at ECON Financial Services in Harrisburg.

Justin Edward Bolton '01 teaches sixth-grade science at East Pennsboro Area Middle School in Enola. He also coaches the junior high football team and is an advisor to the snowboarding club.

Eugene "Gene" Raymond Kelly '01 began studies at Marywood University in Scranton for his doctorate in human development. He was recently appointed senior consultant for Perceptions Unlimited, a multicultural training organization in Glenside.

SFC Todd Sturniolo '01 was promoted to Sergeant First Class on Aug. 1, 2009. He is a trombonist with the United States Army Field Band in Washington, D.C.

'02

Sean B. Reilly '02 is the food and beverage controller at Morton's Steakhouse in Hackensack, N.J.

Stephanie Ritter '02 is the membership coordinator for the Allentown Art Museum and tends bar part-time at Rippers Pub in Bethlehem. She plays basketball on the East Penn Express Summer League team.

After 38 years, **James Stamm M'02** retired from the Cocalico School District. Prior to his career in public education, he retired from the U.S. Army Reserves in 2001, where he was presented with the de Fleury Award for service to the Corps of Engineers. He is the father of **Michael Stamm '97** and father-in-law of **Jennifer Pellegrino Stamm '00**.

'03

Natasha T. Nicholson '03 received her master's degree in environmental engineering in December 2009 from the Pennsylvania State University.

Dawn R. Raber '03 is the site director at Navy Gateway Inns & Suites in Willow Grove.

Dr. Amanda Ill Snyder '03 received her doctoral degree in integrative biosciences, specializing in neuroscience, in August 2009 from the Pennsylvania State University. She has accepted a post-doctoral fellow position at the university's College of Medicine in Hershey.

'04

Donna Butler P'04, mother of **Sarah E. Wascura '04**, recently donated her father's 1932 yearbook to the College. **Dr. Eugene L. Wittle '32** died in 1998.

Ruth Marie Crabbs, Esq., '04 is a litigation associate with Grogan Graffam, PC, in Pittsburgh.

Jessica Korpas DaSilva '04 teaches third grade at Lakewood Elementary in the Horry County Schools in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Dana Herendeen DeGrande '04 is an elementary school counselor in the Centennial School District in Warminster.

Travis Andrew Leap '04 was elected mayor of Hyndman on Nov. 3, 2009.

Ronald Lee Stump Jr. '04 is an eighth-grade social studies teacher in the Pine Grove Area School District.

'05

Craig Alan Layne '05 is a reporter for television station WMPT Fox 43 in York.

Roy J. Osborne M'05 is the director of safety, health, and environment for BAE Systems in Rockville, Md.

Dr. Staci Storti Silar '05 received her doctorate in physical therapy in May 2008 from Widener University. She is a physical therapist at JFK Medical Center in Edison, N.J.

'06

James Henry Curry III, Esq., '06 received his juris doctorate in May 2009 from Widener University School of Law and passed the Pennsylvania Bar Exam in October 2009. After his mother passed away in 2006, his father became his sole support system. His

father believed in him and motivated him to succeed in his education. James wishes to publicly acknowledge his father's support, stating, "Thank you, Dad. I love you!"

Lauren Nickey Engle '06 received her master's degree in training and development in May 2009 from the Pennsylvania State University. She is a placement representative for the Department of the Navy's Acquisition Career Center in Mechanicsburg.

Stephanie Ann Kline '06 is a high school special education teacher in the Susquenita School District in Duncannon.

Meghan Kathleen Kurta '06 received her master's degree in English in August 2009 from Montclair State University in N.J.

Dr. Brian M. O'Connell '04, D'06 is a board-certified orthopedic clinical specialist (OCS). OCS certification is held by less than 10 percent of physical therapists nationally. He also is a certified manual therapist.

Jeanine McAbee Snyder '06 received her master's degree in curriculum and instruction in May 2009 from the University of Scranton.

Rebecca Thorne, Esq., '06 received her juris doctorate in May 2009 from Drexel University Earle Mach School of Law with a concentration in health law.

Jamie L. Wenrich '06 is an associate public relations account manager at Godfrey of Lancaster.

'07

Jeffrey A. Linn '07 is an audio technician for Cirque du Soleil's touring show *Kooza*.

Jonathan D. Lintz '07 is a regional sales director for Patrick Wyatt of London, a custom jeweler. Jonathan travels to clients in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, and New Jersey.

Frederick Charles Pope '07 is an internal auditor for Vanguard Financial Services in King of Prussia.

Daniel George Youngs '07 is the controller for Frey Lutz Corp. in Lancaster.

Career Choices

BY JEREMY LONG '06



Craig Layne '05 did not know which path he wanted to take in life, until he interned at a Harrisburg radio station.

"I didn't really fall in love with journalism until I interned with WITF-FM 89.5," Layne says. "I also got a huge heaping of encouragement from

Tim Lambert and Scott Gilbert at WITF. Those guys are heroes of local news to me."

During his internship, he won two awards for his story "Putting the Pride Back in Harrisburg."

"I was thrilled when I won, and my early success inspired me to keep working in journalism," Layne says.

After LVC, Layne attended graduate school at the University of Southern California, and then worked in Erie for two years before coming back to Central Pennsylvania.

Layne was hired by York television station WPMT-TV FOX 43 in July 2009. He was the station's first multimedia journalist and is now at the station's Harrisburg Bureau covering the capital city and surrounding area. Being the first multimedia journalist for FOX 43 means Layne is a very busy man.

"Sometimes I work without a photographer, shooting, writing, and editing my own stories," Layne explains. "I'm usually solo one day a week, but sometimes I have to 'one-man band' more frequently."

While working for WJET-TV in Erie, Layne had the opportunity for a three-minute one-on-one interview with future President of the United States and then Sen. Barack Obama.

"I asked him everything I could think of that would pertain to Erie, but man, was I nervous," Layne admits.

Layne is drawn into his profession more and more each day, but sometimes the most challenging days can discourage him.

"The thing I hate most is covering human tragedy," Layne admits. "It's so difficult to approach someone who has just lost something so dear to them and ask them to stand in front of a blinding light and camera and take questions about their suffering. It's terrible."

Still, Layne comes back each day because he never knows when he might be talking with the next U.S. President.

"I enjoy the variety and excitement my career offers," he says. "I love a great story with interesting people and good visuals. It's like a symphony when it all comes together."

Jeremy Long '06 is a freelance writer and photographer for The Lebanon Daily News, Harrisburg Patriot News, Press and Journal, and Central Penn Business Journal.

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'08

Kevin Steven Daub '08 is a software engineer at Lockheed Martin in King of Prussia.

Mallory Elizabeth Hane '08 is the assistant to the director at the Demuth Museum in Lancaster.

Rachel Ann Moore '08 is the finance director for the Pennsylvania Democratic Party, headquartered in Harrisburg.

Allison Theresa Moucheron '08 teaches elementary general music and elementary/middle school instrumental music in Heights-Terrace Elementary School in Hazleton. She also gives private piano and voice lessons.

Jason Lee Roach '08 teaches music at Steelton-Highspire High School in Steelton.

Brandon Lyle Wagner '08 is an auditor with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Office of the Budget, in Harrisburg.

'09

Ashley L. Beard '09 is an account executive at Susquehanna Integrated Marketing of Millersburg.

Todd A. Miller '09 is a staff accountant in the audit department at Brown Schultz Sheridan & Fritz, in East Pennsboro Township, Lancaster.

Jennifer Ann Payne '09 is the operations manager and music librarian for the Lancaster Symphony Orchestra.

Christie Lynn Stratos '09 is the eLearning administrator at Berlitz World Headquarters in Princeton, N.J.

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The Classes of 2000 and 2005 will celebrate reunions.



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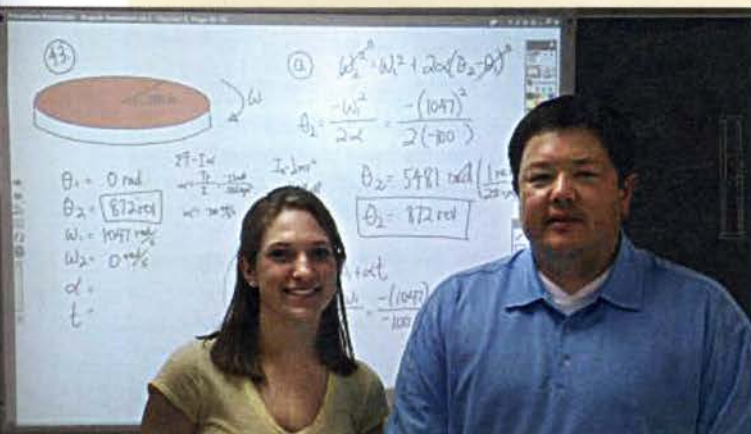


Visit www.lvc.edu/alumni/ this summer for more information.

The **Classes of 2000 and 2005** will celebrate reunions during the Post-Game Tent Party and numerous activities are being planned for graduates of all classes. The Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner and Induction Ceremony, Parent's Breakfast, GhostTour, and Post-Game Tent Party are all on the schedule, as well as several home athletic contests.

You Get What You Pay For

BY PAT HUGGINS



Dave Todd '97 with one of his current students, Meghan Pasquarette, who is considering attending LVC to study physics.

Amid troubling economic times, high school physics teacher **Dave Todd '97** has some reassuring words for prospective Lebanon Valley students and their parents: "You always get what you pay for."

Yes, Todd is well aware that the cost of higher education continues to rise, creating a financial strain for those seeking to attend college and for the families looking for a way to pay for it.

But Todd, an enthusiastic supporter of LVC admissions and physics graduate, also knows that those investing in a four-year stay at LVC will see a handsome reward down the road, and not just in the form of a well-paying career.

"I think one of the things I try to get across to high school kids is, 'You have to look at quality and value above price,'" says Todd, who has taught physics at East Pennsboro High School in Enola for the last decade. "The quality of education I received at LVC is invaluable," he said. "The faculty refuses to *not* let you learn. You're getting so much better prepared for the next step. That's the most important thing to realize." Todd has other values he attempts to pass along to his students. "I try to model the relationships I have with my students to those close, personal relationships I developed with Dr. [Michael] Day and Dr. [Barry] Hurst," he notes. "Even though their job was to provide me with an education in physics, I was always amazed at how much more I learned from them."

Todd backs up his words—and then some—through his work as an unofficial recruiter for the LVC Admission Office, guiding many East Pennsboro students to LVC during the last several years, some of whom have been physics students, joining a department that usually only accepts three to five new physics majors per year.

"It makes me feel good," admits Todd, of the contributions he has been able to make, to both his East Pennsboro students and his alma mater. "To know I've guided them in that direction is a nice feeling," he says, knowing of at least four of his former students now attending or recently graduating from LVC: **Andrew Deckert '13**, an economics major; **Meredith Long '10**, a music and music education double major; as well as physics majors **Colin McKenna '13** and **Michael Ardoline '10**.

Todd's efforts are appreciated by prospective students, LVC faculty, and the College's Admission Office, says **Sue Sarisky Jones '92**, LVC director of admission. Sarisky Jones was particularly impressed with Todd's passion for LVC during a recent alumni focus group meeting in Hershey.

"Dave was a valuable contributor to that meeting," she says. "His experiences as an LVC alumnus and as an educator make him highly credible. He sincerely and thoughtfully voiced his opinions and suggestions. It was evident that he was an active participant and that he feels strongly about his LVC education."

But Todd, who lives in Camp Hill with his two sons, Cameron and Matthew, and wife, Jennifer, a veterinarian, is more than just a physics guy. He's also a longtime youth baseball coach, and someone who stresses the value of education outside the comfort zone of a student's major.

That's something he experienced for himself during his undergraduate days at LVC, and it is an experience he wishes for future Lebanon Valley students.

"It wasn't all about physics for me," Todd says. "I didn't enjoy anything of cultural significance until I arrived at LVC. After those experiences, I felt like a more intelligent human being. That is a good feeling."

Pat Huggins is a freelance writer from Lebanon and a sportswriter for the Lebanon Daily News.

College Community Aids Earthquake Victims

BY JEREMY LONG '06

When the 7.0 magnitude earthquake struck Haiti on Jan. 12, 2010, it caused catastrophic destruction in and around Port-au-Prince, leaving three million people in need of emergency aid.

While the physical tremors of the earthquake could not be felt at LVC, the emotional toll was experienced full force. The LVC community immediately stepped up to help.

"Shortly after the earthquake hit Haiti, a group of more than 30 concerned students, staff, and faculty members gathered to consider actions to take," says **The Rev. Dr. Paul Fullmer**, LVC Chaplain and adjunct assistant professor of religion. "The ideas engendered there had both short-term and long-term impacts."

Concerts, a "30-hour famine," and a swing dance were just a few of the events planned to help raise money for Haiti. As of April 4, the LVC community had raised \$1,145.65.

In classic LVC fashion, the tight-knit community formed a new group to assist Haiti and other communities, nationally and internationally, affected by natural disasters.

"Most impressive, perhaps, are the long-term implications of that initial brainstorming meeting," Fullmer explains. "The students have formed a nascent organization that they call the 'Disaster Response Coalition.'"

The goal of the group is to help bring relief to these communities through the gathering of supplies for hygiene kits, as well as to increase awareness. For example, the group gave a presentation about the needs in Chile after a Feb. 27 earthquake struck the South American country.

The coalition already has received provisional status from student government. **Jimmy Kroll '11** has been named president, **Sarah Munoz '13** vice president, **Becky Gentzier '10** secretary, and **Kim Holt '11** treasurer.

Fullmer, who is an advisor to the group, is confident the Disaster Response Coalition will succeed.

"The students involved will prove to be a significant resource not only in light of the current needs in Haiti and Chile, but also as other needs arise around the world," he says. The response has especially touched former students and their families.

"I was very touched to hear from Chaplain Fullmer after he heard the news of my loss and by the efforts of the Disaster Response Coalition to raise money for Haiti," **Monique Anglade '07** says.

The earthquake hit especially close to home for Anglade, now living in Stroudsburg, who first heard about the earthquake on the radio while driving in her car. When she learned the severity of the situation, she began to worry about her family members living in Haiti.

Using the popular social-networking site Facebook, Anglade was able to learn the fate of her aunt Mireille and

uncle Georges who were in Haiti. They did not survive the earthquake.

While it was a painful time for Anglade's family, her LVC family comforted her.

"Of course this has been a trying time for me but it is only one story. Many people lost families in the earthquake," Anglade says. "What's most important is the awareness on campus that continues long after the news coverage on TV has ended. It will take years to rebuild from the devastating damage that occurred."

The day after the earthquake, **Rev. Carolyn Winfrey Gillette '82** wrote a hymn, *In Haiti, There is Anguish*, about the devastation that occurred in Haiti.

"I wrote this hymn quickly, hoping that it could be used to encourage churches' prayers for Haiti and support of the relief efforts there," Gillette says.

Thanks to the Internet and other organizations, Gillette's hymn quickly went viral worldwide, and in less than a month it has been posted on more than 10,000 websites.

"I am grateful to God that I was able to write this hymn and that it is being shared so widely," Gillette says. "In a way, this hymn began 30 years ago when I traveled to Haiti on a mission trip. Haiti is a country that changed my life."

Three decades ago, Gillette was a sophomore at LVC and traveled to Haiti to help repair homes.

While in Haiti, the images of malnourishment and poverty were burned into her mind. One of the strongest memories of the trip was when a mother tried to give Gillette her three-year-old daughter. The mother told Gillette that her daughter, Micheline, might not survive if she stayed. "I do not know what happened to Micheline. I do not know if she survived to adulthood. But I wrote this hymn remembering her, and so many other children and families that I met in Haiti. I wrote this hymn as a prayer for a people in desperate need right now," Gillette says. "I hope that our concern for the people of Haiti will not be a temporary one that fades when the news reporters drift away, but that it will be a lasting commitment to people who are our brothers and sisters given to us by God."

Visit www.churchworldservice.org and search Gillette to view lyrics to Gillette's hymn.

To track LVC's progress and events to help Haiti, please visit <http://www.lvc.edu/community-service/haiti.aspx>.

Jeremy Long '06 is a freelance writer and photographer for The Lebanon Daily News, Harrisburg Patriot News, Press and Journal, and Central Penn Business Journal.

In Memoriam

'30s

Luella Heilman Myers '33 died Aug. 26, 2009, in New Hampshire at the age of 96. She taught in the Palmyra Junior-Senior High School from 1933 to 1937. Myers served as a substitute teacher in Somerville, N.J., and later worked as a tax analyst for the Somerset County Board of Taxation for 18 years. She and her husband retired to Concord, N.H., in 1986. She was an active member of the Wesley United Methodist Church. Myers also was an active volunteer, serving as memorial chair for the American Cancer Society in the Concord area for 13 years, as well as at Concord Hospital, the Salvation Army, and numerous other charitable organizations. She was predeceased by her husband, William J. Myers '30.

Haidee Blubaugh Kaslusky '34 died Feb. 4 in Fredericksburg, Va., at the age of 96. She was a 30-year member of the New York State Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, where she served as regent of the Fort Green Chapter NSDAR, Brooklyn, for 10 years. Kaslusky held various state, local, and national chairmanships and committee positions, and also was a proud charter member of the Susannah Chandler chapter NSDAR at Lake of the Woods, Locust Grove, Va. She had been a member of the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Brooklyn, N.Y. She was preceded in death by her husband, Albert J. Kaslusky '33.

Dr. Theodore K. Long '35 died March 6 in Lebanon at the age of 96. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, where he first served in the ophthalmology department at Philadelphia Naval Hospital. Long then served as ophthalmologist during a 22-month tour on the USS *Refuge* in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. His final tour of duty was at Bethesda Naval Hospital. Long was the first board-certified ophthalmologist to practice medicine at the Good Samaritan Hospital, the former Lebanon Sanatorium (Hyman Caplan Pavilion), and as a consultant to the Lebanon Veteran's Administration Hospital. He was a member of Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honorary Society of the University of Pennsylvania Medical School, the American Academy of Ophthalmology, a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, the Pennsylvania EENT Society, and a president of the staff of the Good Samaritan Hospital and of the Lebanon County Medical Society. Long was a member of Masonic Lodge #226, the Lebanon Country Club, the Quentin Riding Club, and various other organizations. Among others, he is survived by a son, Theodore K. Long Jr. '66. He was predeceased by a brother, Dr. Luther K. Long '38.

Louise Gillan Harris '36 died Feb. 7 in Harrisburg at the age of 95. She was a retired school teacher, having taught at Hummelstown High School and in the Susquehanna Twp. School District. She was a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Harrisburg and was the last surviving charter member of the Delta Kappa Gamma International Society for women educators.

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Adolph J. Capka '38 died Oct. 5, 2009, in El Paso, Texas, at the age of 93. After serving 20 years in the U.S. Army and retiring in 1963, he traveled the U.S. and overseas for several years. He then worked as a civil service budget analyst at the Pentagon for several years. He was retired for the last 30 years, which he spent in El Paso.

Mildred Haas Grimm '39 died Aug. 3, 2009, in New York at the age of 91. She had been employed with Utica State Hospital. Grimm was a member of Whitesboro Presbyterian Church and the League of Women Voters. She loved to travel extensively. Among others, she is survived by her husband, Robert S. Grimm '40.

'40s

Dr. John G. Oliver '40 died Oct. 11, 2009, in Allentown at the age of 89. He was a retired captain with the U.S. Army Medical Corps. In 1948, he opened his family practice in Pen Argyl, retiring in 1994. He was a member of the American Academy of Family Practice, where he was a charter fellow since 1972; the American Board of Family Practice; the Northampton County Medical Society, where he served as president in 1959; the Pennsylvania Medical Society; and the American Medical Association. In 1982, Oliver was instrumental in the establishment of Slate Belt Medical Center, where he served as medical director. He was a member of Faith United Presbyterian Church in Pen Argyl, where he served as elder, church school teacher, superintendent, choir member, and commissioner to Lehigh Presbytery.

Christian B. Walk Jr. '40 died Aug. 5, 2009, in Boise, Idaho, at the age of 91. He was the former regional director of the Northwest Region of the Federal Aviation Administration with headquarters in Seattle, Wash. Walk was a retired lieutenant colonel from the U.S. Air Force and a former captain for Delta Airlines. He was an associate fellow of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, a member of the Air Force Association, the Retired Officer's Association, the American Legion of Annville, and the First United Methodist Church of Palmyra. Walk was elected to LVC's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1986 and into the Susquehanna Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame.

Dr. Joe Elvin Conrad '41 died Feb. 23 in Hegins at the age of 92. He was a retired captain with the U.S. Army. He served three tours of duty as the chief medical officer on three different ships. In 1947, Conrad began private practice in Schuylkill Haven with a concentration on general medicine, minor surgeries, and numerous baby deliveries. In 1958, he was board certified in radiology and became the chief of radiology at Good Samaritan Hospital in Lebanon. He continued in that position until his semi-retirement in 1984. During his tenure as chief of radiology, Conrad became recognized as one of the leading national experts on "black lung" disease. Following his semi-retirement, he continued on staff in the radiology department for almost 20 years, retiring at the age of 85. Among others, Conrad was a member of the American Medical Association, Pan-American Medical Society, American College of Radiology, Radiological Society of North America, Roentgen and Radium Society, American College of Nuclear Medicine, and the American Society of Medical Imaging.

Joseph W. Fauber '41 died Jan. 19 in Manheim at the age of 89. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II as a first lieutenant navigator with the B-24 Liberator Bomb Group, the Flying Tigers, for which he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon, and the Asiatic Pacific

Theater Ribbon with Three Bronze Stars. He was the owner of the Joseph W. Fauber Public Accounting Office in Manheim for 25 years before retiring in 1982. Prior to that, Fauber served as the band director for the Manheim Central School District, and an instrumental music teacher for the Lebanon School District and Xavier University in New Orleans, La. He was a member of St.

Paul's United Church of Christ in Manheim. He served on the advisory board for the former Harris Savings Bank and Fulton Bank, both in Manheim. Fauber also served as treasurer for the Manheim Community Farm Show Association, secretary for the board of managers for the Danner Home Manheim, president of the Manheim Lions Club, and was a member of the Manheim

Anna Dunkle Faber McVay '48, Professor *Emerita* of English

Dr. Anna B. Dunkle Faber McVay '48, of Harrisburg, professor *emerita* of literature at LVC, died Jan. 21 in Harrisburg. She was 94 and had been retired from the College since 1976. During nearly all of the 22 years she taught at the Valley, from 1954 to 1976, she was known as Dr. Faber, because she was the wife of Capt. Elmer W. Faber '62 of the Pennsylvania State Police, whom she met and married shortly after her return to her alma mater in 1954 as a member of the English Department.

In her first semester on the faculty at LVC, she met a new student who was destined to become a longtime member of the College faculty, Dr. Arthur Ford '59, professor *emeritus* of English. "I first met Ann McVay (Dunkle then) on the first day of my freshman year. She was my freshman English teacher and subsequently, a lasting influence on my career as a college English teacher. I found her then, and later as my colleague, to be warm, caring, concerned, and above all a consummate teacher. For more than 50 years she was a friend," Ford says.

The late Dr. George B. Struble, of LVC's English Department, served as her longtime mentor and friend, she later wrote to the College. Her first husband died in 1973, and three years later, she married Max R. McVay. "My greatest accomplishment is having become a mother at age 60," she wrote to the College, referring to the two step-children from her marriage to McVay. She retired from LVC a few months after her wedding, and the couple settled in San Bernardino, Calif., where they lived for 20 years. They took many vacations on freighters—some lasting more than two months. Those trips took them all over the world, recalls Glenn H. Woods '51, associate professor *emeritus* of English. He also remembers his colleague as being very helpful when he joined the English Department in 1965.

McVay always maintained a connection to the College as a member of the Alumni Association and became a charter member of LVC's G.W. Miles Rigor Society for donors in 1985. That year, knowing she was missing the retirement festivities of some of her LVC colleagues, McVay wrote that she hoped their retirements would be as happy as hers. After the death of her second husband in 1996, she wrote to the College, "I have missed the campus, especially the students, very much and

hope to come East before long."

She returned to Harrisburg the following year, "primarily to get away from the heat," she wrote. In Harrisburg, she lived in a book-lined apartment with splendid views of the city and Susquehanna River.

Anna was born Feb. 16, 1915, in Steelton, daughter of Amos W. and Jennie K. (Barnet) Dunkle. She graduated from Steelton High School and worked as a civilian employee of the Signal Corps of the U.S. Army and Air Force for five years. She attended LVC part-time as a commuter majoring in English. She was a member of LVC's Phi Alpha Epsilon Honor Society.

In the 1948 *Quittapahilla* yearbook she is described as "tall in form and fair of face ... queenly bearing ... a dazzling smile ... meticulous in dress ... a good listener ... future Pulitzer Prize winner ... nice to know." After graduating from the Valley in 1948, McVay worked as an assistant librarian at LVC before beginning her graduate studies at the University of Wisconsin. In 1950, she earned a master's degree in English there, and later returned to Annville to serve another year as an assistant librarian before going back to the University of Wisconsin to earn her doctorate in English/comparative literature. She did post-doctoral work with the British Theatre Association in London and at the Shakespeare Institute, Stratford-upon-Avon, England.

McVay is survived by her step-daughter, Nancy J. McVay and her husband, Thomas J. Kovich of North Myrtle Beach, S.C.; and a step-son, Thomas R. McVay, and his wife, Hillie, of San Clemente, Calif.; as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Memorial contributions may be made in her name to Lebanon Valley College.



Historical Association. He volunteered with Meals on Wheels in the Manheim area and enjoyed playing the tuba for various bands and groups throughout Lancaster County. Fauber was predeceased by his wife, Margaret "Peg" Boyd Fauber '41, and a brother, Lt. Col. Earl B. Fauber '36. Among others, he is survived by a daughter, Stephanie J. Fauber '69.

Dr. Joseph Cary Touchstone '42 died July 26, 2009, in Rosemont at the age of 87. He was born in China where, as the result of a malaria epidemic, he received large doses of quinine. This caused a loss of hearing at a very young age and he was taught to read lips rather than sign.

Catharine Y. Miller '46 died Oct. 8, 2009, in York at the age of 85. She was a retired mathematics teacher with York Suburban School District. Miller was a member of the National Education Association, Pennsylvania State Educators Association, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, and York Suburban Educational Association.

Evelyn Spitler Wild '47 died Nov. 19, 2009, in Washington Boro at the age of 84. She taught music in Heidelberg Township Schools, Penn Manor School District, and at Millersville State College. Wild was the church organist for St. Paul Lutheran Church in Millersville for 23 years, where she organized and directed the bell choir and taught Sunday school. She also directed the junior choir. Wild was a founder, president, and charter member of the Millersville Woman's Club, a member of the Iris Club, and the Millersville Book Club. She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold Wild '47.

Harold Wild '47 died Aug. 31, 2009, in Columbia at the age of 88. He retired in 1980 from the Penn Manor School District as the K-12 director of music. Previously, he had been the high school band director and instrumental music teacher in the same district. Wild played the French horn in the Lancaster Symphony Orchestra. While in high school and also while a student at LVC, he played French horn with the Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra. In 1937, Wild was state champion and the second division winner on the national level for a French horn solo competition. He served in the U.S. Army's 7th Evacuation Hospital during World War II. He participated in the invasion of Luzon at Lingayun Gulf and was among the first troops to land in Japan in the army of occupation. He was ultimately awarded four bronze stars for his service. Wild was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Millersville, where he was the senior choir director for 23 years, as well as a Sunday school teacher, and member of various committees. He was a member of the Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees and the VFW Millersville Post #7294.

Dr. John A. Detweiler '48 died Dec. 25, 2009, in Florida at the age of 85. After completing his residency, he opened a partnership in internal medicine in Park Ridge, Ill. Detweiler was a founding member of Northwest Community Hospital and later chief of staff and president of the medical staff. He was a clinical professor of medicine at the University of Illinois and also associated with Cook County Hospital. Detweiler was board certified in internal medicine and served as the head of the Arlington Heights Board of Health, overseeing polio vaccinations for more than 11,000 local residents.

Dr. Anna Dunkle Faber McVay '48 died Jan. 21 in Harrisburg at the age of 94. She was a professor *emerita* of literature at LVC, having retired in 1976. McVay was a member of the alumni associations of LVC and the University of Wisconsin, where she received her Ph.D. (See obituary on page 40).

Luther E. Robinson '48 died Dec. 14, 2009, in Arizona at the age of 84. A World War II veteran, Robinson retired from Hughes Aircraft Company in 1989, and spent his retirement years volunteering for Meals on Wheels and St. Joseph's Hospital in Arizona. He appreciated good music, could fix anything, and loved woodworking.

Howard F. Lebegern '49 died Nov. 23, 2009, in Cape Coral, Fla., at the age of 82. He retired from General Electric (RCA) in Lancaster after 37 years of service as a manager in electronic manufacturing. He served in the U.S. Navy in 1945 and 1946. Throughout his life, he actively participated in local and state politics in Pennsylvania, where he was a state Republican chairman and committeeman. Lebegern also served on the Industrial Authority of Hempfield Township. All of his adult life, he cheered wholeheartedly for LVC sports teams and activities.

Ernest Shindel '49 died Feb. 15 in Palmyra at the age of 90. He received a Purple Heart while serving in the U.S. Army during World War II. After retiring from the Mechanicsburg Navy Depot, he formed Father and Sons Masons and did odd jobs in the community. Shindel was a member of Living Waters Chapel in Lebanon.

William J. Yingst '49 died Dec. 5, 2009, in Texas. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II having served in the 106th Infantry in the European and American theaters. He was captured during the Battle of the Bulge and held as a prisoner of war for five months. Yingst worked for the Army and Air Force Exchange Service until his retirement in 1982. He was active in the Duncanville (Texas) Police Academy, COPS program, and teaching 55 Alive classes. Yingst was an avid traveler and especially enjoyed cruises. Among others, he is survived by his wife of 61 years, Ruth Whitman Yingst '48; sister-in-law, Nancy Adams Yingst '48; and three brothers; Harold '50, Charles '54, and Ralph '55. He was pre-deceased by his father, William Paul Yingst '18, and identical twin brother, Paul '48.

'50s

Kathryn Noll Chernich '50 died Aug. 10, 2009, in Lebanon at the age of 81. She had been an elementary school teacher with the Lebanon School District for more than 35 years. She was a member of Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, as well as the Order of the Eastern Star, the Order of the Amaranth, and the White Shrine of Jerusalem. She was a member of the Pennsylvania School Retirees Association and the Lebanon Senior Center.

Col. Elizabeth "Betty" Eicherly '50 died Feb. 19 in Palmyra at the age of 87. She was retired from the U.S. Army and the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency in Harrisburg. She was a lifetime member of the Shellsville VFW #9639.

In Memoriam

Leroy "Lee" N. Evans Sr. '50 died Sept. 22, 2009, in Levittown at the age of 83. He was a veteran of World War II, having served as an infantryman, sharp shooter, and bandsman with the 36th Division and the 3rd Infantry Division in the European Theater. He received a number of combat citations for his service. Evans taught instrumental music at Philadelphia's Germantown and George Washington high schools for 34 years. He was an avid golfer at the Langhorne Country Club and directed several golf groups.

The Rev. Roger E. Keech '50 died Jan. 7 in Chambersburg at the age of 86. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II as a bomber in the European Theater. Keech also worked at various United Methodist churches in Myersville, Md., as well as in York and Shippensburg from 1953 until his retirement in June 1988. During his retirement, he served as conference secretary of Global Ministries for several years, visitation pastor at Faith United Methodist Church in Waynesboro, and Mission Interpreter of General and Conference Boards of Global Ministries. Keech was a member of Faith United Methodist Church and participated on various conference boards and committees. He was a member of the Lions Clubs in both York and Shippensburg; the Boy Scouts of America, where he received district awards and the Merit and Silver Beaver awards; the York County Pollution Control Board; and the North York Zoning Board. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth Gearhart Keech '48.

Harry Eugene "Gene" Keller '50 died Jan. 11 in Hershey at the age of 85. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, receiving the Bronze Star. Keller was the owner of Keller Real Estate & Insurance in Richland. He was a member of Grace United Church of Christ in Richland and was a lifetime and charter member of the Richland American Legion, where he had been a past commander. Among others, he is survived by a brother, Richard Deitrich '56.

Doris Eckert Ketner '50 died Dec. 8, 2009, in Cumru Township at the age of 82. She taught music in various Berks County school districts, including Muhlenberg, Wilson, and Conrad Weiser from 1950 to 1960, and in the Reading School District from 1970 to 1975. She taught piano privately in her home until July 2009. Ketner was past president of the Reading Music Teachers Association and a member of the Pennsylvania and National Music Teachers associations and the National Piano Guild. She was an elder, former Sunday school teacher, and member of the choir at United Church of Christ in Temple.

John Roger Nilan '50 died Nov. 14, 2009, in Manassas, Va., at the age of 91. He was a World War II veteran, having served in the Asian Pacific Theater, and had been a member of the Elk's Lodge in Fairfax, Va. He retired in 1978 from the National Archives and Records Service in Washington, D.C., as a management analyst.

Rabbi Bernard B. Goldsmith '51 died July 25, 2009, in Rancho Bernardo, Calif., at the age of 79. He served as chaplain assistant in the U.S. Marine Corps for two years. Goldsmith was a rabbi for several congregations since 1964, most recently at the Temple Sinai in Palm Desert where he served from 1990 to 1993. On retiring, he moved to San Diego and worked part-time as a chaplain with the Veteran Administration Hospital in La Jolla, Calif.

Richard J. Lukasiewicz '51 died Jan. 3 in Galway, N.Y., at the age of 81. He was a U.S. Army veteran, having served in Korea, and received a certificate of commendation for his service. Lukasiewicz began his career as a high school music teacher and band director at the Galway Central School in Galway, N.Y. Several years later, he was appointed high school principal and served in that position until he retired in 1983. He was a founding member of the Galway Lions Club and also served on the Saratoga County Board of Cooperative Educational Services for more than a dozen years.

Dr. John Kozura '52 died Dec. 29, 2009, in Minersville at the age of 81. He was an Army Air Corps veteran of World War II. He practiced dentistry in Pottsville for many years before his retirement. He was a life member of the Independent Hose Company, Minersville; the Pottsville Lions Club; the Independent Hunting Camp; the Minersville American Legion Post 544; the Elks; Yorkville Hose; and the National Rifle Association.

Frank R. DeAngelis '53 died June 28, 2009, in Summit, N.J., at the age of 77. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army. DeAngelis was a history teacher and head football coach at Orange High School and West Orange Mountain High School in N.J. He retired in 1987. He was a member of the Retired Teachers Association.

Elizabeth Lower Theophilus '54 died Dec. 30, 2009, in Florida at the age of 78. She was a retired school teacher and enjoyed music, reading, cooking, tennis, and playing bridge.

Dr. Carol June Bradley '56 died July 27, 2009, in Buffalo, N.Y., at the age of 74. She was associate director of the music library at the University of Buffalo (U of B) from 1967 until her retirement in 1999. Bradley also was an adjunct professor of information and library studies who co-directed the university's double master's degree program in music librarianship. She also founded the university library's Music Librarianship Archive. Prior to her career at U of B, she worked as the librarian of the Drinker Library of Choral Music at the Free Library of Philadelphia, the music librarian of the U.S. Military Academy, and the music cataloger at Vassar College. She was an active member of the Music Library Association (MLA) and received the MLA Citation in 2001. In 2003, the MLA established the Carol June Bradley Award for Historical Research in Music Librarianship. She was active in the International Association of Music Libraries, Archives and Documentation Centres (IAML); as well as the Oral History Association. Bradley published several books chronicling the history of music librarianship and the lives and careers of music librarians throughout the country.

Peter M. Crincoli '56 died Aug. 30, 2009, in Elizabeth, N.J., at the age of 75. He was an elementary school teacher with the Newark, N.J. public schools for 40 years before his retirement in 1994. Crincoli was a member of the Italian American Club in Elizabeth. Among others, he is survived by a brother, Michael F. Crincoli '49.

Jack N. Keefer '56 died Sept. 2, 2009, in Green Village at the age of 83. He was an adjunct instructor at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Md., and an instructor in arson investigation and detection for seven years. (Continued on page 45).

Diane M. Iglesias, Professor of Spanish

Dr. Diane M. Iglesias of Cleona, professor of Spanish, died suddenly at home on Oct. 9 from complications of cancer. Iglesias was teaching until about a week before she died, and most people in the College community were not aware that she was ill. LVC President Stephen C. MacDonald stated at a faculty meeting that Iglesias was "a rock of this College" for more than 30 years, a very talented teacher, and adds, with regret, that he did not have the chance to say goodbye.

Dr. James Scott, professor *emeritus* of German and chair of the Foreign Languages Department, remembers his longtime colleague and friend this way: "Over the years, Diane Iglesias built a reputation as an outstanding member of the faculty. As a teacher, she engaged her students with her passion for learning and her all-surpassing love of Spanish.

"She had numerous advisees and gave generously of her time to help each one overcome the challenges of multiple interests, double (and even triple) majors, ending with, 'Yes, I think we can work it out so that you can get teaching certification with that combination.'"

Iglesias won state and national recognition for her innovative teaching methods, which emphasized the ability to communicate rather than to simply memorize grammar and tense. Iglesias gave in-service workshops to secondary school faculty on teaching topics all across the country. She also was in demand in South America and Europe for workshops and presentations for her expertise on teaching and for her scholarship on topics such as the use of humor in medieval and Renaissance Spain, or theater in the Golden Age of Spain.

In 1989, Iglesias was awarded a Sears-Roebuck Foundation Teaching Excellence and Campus Leadership Award, and in 1991, she was one of six Pennsylvania educators awarded the Pennsylvania Academy for the Profession of Teaching's Salute to Teachers Award.

"Teaching is an art," she said in the fall 1996 *Valley*, "and to make it look spontaneous and to keep up the level of energy, you have to work very hard to engage the student in front of you...It requires a tremendous amount of planning..."

Susan Verhoek, Ph.D., professor *emerita* of biology, recalls her friend as someone who was "a very gracious lady, and I think she tried to inculcate that into her classes. She tried to teach her students how to behave." Verhoek also remembers Iglesias as

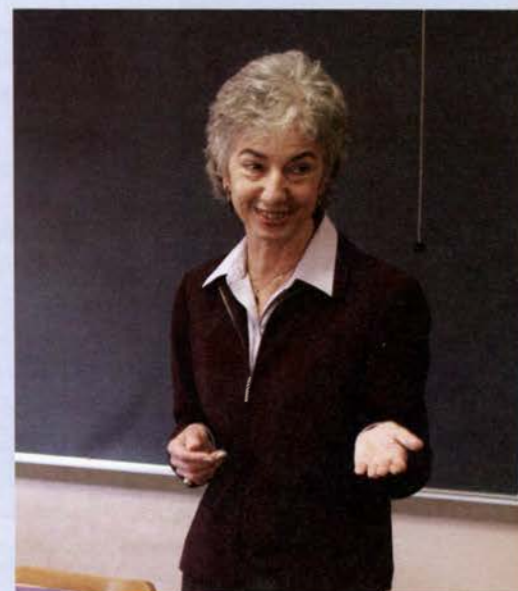
being very cultured, and the consummate professional, who during the December 2008 break "attended MLA [Modern Language Association] meetings to interview prospective faculty members despite knowing she was ill and had to leave her family over the holidays."

Iglesias' students were deeply involved in planning her campus memorial service on Oct. 15 in Miller Chapel. The service was coordinated by the College Chaplain, The Rev. Dr. Paul Fullmer.

Deanne Horst '11 of Lebanon says she was stunned to hear the sad news about her professor's death, but took some comfort in a song she heard while listening to a Spanish-language radio station. She shared the song, *Yo Te Extrañare (I Will Miss You)*, with fellow students, and asked that it be included in the memorial program and service.

Horst and other students and faculty shared their affection and warm memories of their "Doctora" at the service, and in a memorial book that was presented to the Iglesias family. Iglesias is survived by her husband, Dr. John H. Heffner, professor *emeritus* of philosophy, who taught at the College from 1972 to 2005, and two children, a daughter, Carolyn, and a son, Andrew.

Iglesias was born in New York City and received her bachelor's and master's degrees from Queen's College. She earned her doctorate from the City University of New York. Before coming to LVC, she taught at Wilson College and several colleges in New York. In 1993, she received the Thomas Rhys Vickroy Award for Distinguished Teaching at LVC. She published numerous professional articles, traveled widely, and was frequently invited to speak at academic conferences. She organized workshops for teachers, served as translator and interpreter for several organizations, and was active in the community as a popular speaker and presenter of children's programs.



Walt Smith '61, Director *Emeritus* of Special Services



Walter Lake Smith Jr. '61, P'03 of Palmyra, director *emeritus* of special services at LVC, died suddenly Dec. 7, 2009, at the age of 70. Smith retired from the College in October after 47 years of service in a variety of administrative posts.

LVC President Stephen C. MacDonald says, "Walt Smith spent more than a half century at the Valley as a student and an employee. The College was his life, he would say. This school meant everything to him, and he reveled in his knowledge of the lore of the place. We have lost a great friend and colleague in Walt, and we have

lost a great repository of the College's history as well."

Two days before his death, Smith followed his usual routine of serving as the public address announcer for LVC's ice hockey game at the Hersheypark Arena, with his wife, Elizabeth "Betty" Brumbaugh Smith '76 at his side as the official scorekeeper. He then dashed over to the GIANT Center to work at the official scorer's table between the penalty boxes. He had served as an off-ice official for the Hershey Bears for the last 45 seasons, working in various capacities, including public address announcer at the team's old home at Hersheypark Arena.

Born on July 18, 1939, Smith was the son of Walter L. Smith Sr. and Catharine L. Smith of Pleasantville, N.J. In high school, he won awards in music and sports, was the conductor of the Pleasantville High School choir, and was a member of New Jersey's All-State Choir. He also served as a student assistant for sports information, was sports editor of the yearbook, and a member of the band. He was manager of his high school baseball team for four years.

While a student at LVC majoring in music education, Smith worked for three-and-a-half years as a student assistant in charge of sports publicity and sports statistics for the public relations office, managed the baseball team, sang in the College and Chapel choirs, and was a member of the Chorus and Glee Clubs. Smith was also a member of the L Club and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.

Gregory Stanson '63, vice president *emeritus* for enrollment and student services, was two years behind Smith at LVC, and recalled the upperclassman as a "very, very dear friend" who had a large music collection and was "very studious" in addition to being "very active" on campus. "He was a very talented guy who

never wanted praise, never wanted the limelight," Stanson says.

Smith's involvement as a student led to his being hired as the College's assistant director of public relations when he graduated in 1961. He was responsible for sports publicity and assisted in other publicity as needed. In 1963, the duties of coordinator of conferences were added to his responsibilities.

He was very active in the Centennial Fund Campaign in the fall of 1964, and in 1965, Smith was named assistant director of development at LVC. In 1967, he earned a master of education from Temple University. He served in the Pennsylvania Air National Guard from 1961 to 1967, attaining the rank of staff sergeant. In 1969, he accepted a position as associate director of development and director of alumni affairs at Bridgewater College in Virginia, but he returned to LVC after 16 months when he was appointed director of the college center and coordinator of conferences. This time, he remained at the Valley for almost 40 years taking on various tasks that suited his many talents. In his most recent duties as director of special services, Smith was able to use his technical and analytical skills to serve the College in various areas including public safety, two-way radios, keys/locks, telephones, and passenger vehicles.

LVC Vice President Robert A. Riley worked with Smith at the College for the last 21 years. "No one was more devoted to this College than Walt," says Riley. "Time and time again during his career he stepped forward to fill an institutional need whenever or wherever it occurred." Riley, who also served with Smith on the Palmyra school board, notes, "No matter what he put his mind to—voluntary or paid—Walt always went above and beyond what was expected. It was an honor to work with him and to be able to call him a friend."

Smith was an active and longtime member of First United Methodist Church of Palmyra; a member of Keystone Masonic Lodge #153 F&AM of Linwood, N.J.; and the Annville American Legion Post 559. He was a former vice chair of the Lebanon County Republican Committee, was elected as the Palmyra Tax Collector, and served on the Council of Boy Scout Troop #477, Palmyra.

In addition to his wife and son, Walter L. Smith III '03, Smith is survived by his brother-in-law, Thomas S. Brumbaugh '83. Memorial contributions may be made in his name to the Palmyra Public Library.

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia held a two-hour memorial concert in Smith's honor on May 9 at Kettering Corner Ice Cream Parlor.

Keefer served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was a member of the Hershey Lions Club and the Green Twp. Lions Club, where he served as president. He was a member of the Pennsylvania State Troopers Association, the Association of Retired Police, the Fraternal Order of Police, the Cumberland Valley Lodge #315 in Shippensburg, and the Harrisburg Consistory. Keefer also was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels.

Mildred Osinski Teitelman '56 died Dec. 31, 2009, at the age of 75. She worked as a case aide at Danbury Hospital in Danbury, Conn., the New York City Youth Board, and the Camden Home for Children in Camden, N.J. Teitelman also worked as a medical social worker at the Kennedy Memorial Hospital in Stratford, N.J., and for the Samaritan Hospice in Marlton, N.J. She was a long-time board member of the Camden County YMCA and a member of the National Association of Social Workers. Among others, she is survived by a son, Stephen A. Teitelman '92.

Harold "Buddy" Reed Webber '56 died Aug. 4, 2009, in Towson, Md., at the age of 77. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. Webber was an instrumental music teacher at Lutherville Elementary School in Lutherville, Md., and the Pleasant Plains Elementary School in Towson, Md., for 10 years. He had also been an insurance agent for several insurance companies in Maryland. Webber was a member of the Parkville, Md., American Legion, played the trumpet in the big band group Sentimental Journey in Baltimore, and enjoyed dancing, camping, and traveling.

Donald S. Burkhart '57 died Aug. 6, 2009, in Harrisburg at the age of 73. He was a retired director of service and rehabilitation for the Pennsylvania Division of the American Cancer Society in Hershey. Burkhart was the pastor for several Evangelical United Brethren/Methodist churches in Franklin County and Gettysburg. He was the former field director of the Pennsylvania Easter Seal Society in Harrisburg. In retirement, Burkhart was a part-time courier for Nauman, Smith, Shissler and Hall, LLP, in Harrisburg. He was a member of the West Shore Evangelical Free Church in Mechanicsburg. Among others, he is survived by his wife, Virginia Smedley Burkhart '58.

Jerry S. Linnekin '58 died Aug. 3, 2009, in St. James City, Fla., at the age of 76. He was a U.S. Navy veteran, having served during the Korean Conflict on the *USS Kula Gulf* and the *USS Coral Sea*. Linnekin worked at the Naval Ordnance Laboratory, Goddard Space Flight Center, and New York Military Academy, where he was first vice president. He received numerous awards as a civilian employee of the Navy and NASA. Linnekin was a life member of the National Rifle Association, the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and AMVETS.

Myles L. Miller '59 died Nov. 24, 2009, in Carlisle at the age of 72. During his career Miller was employed by RCA Lancaster and SGL Abrasives in Carlisle, and retired from Mold Base Industries in Hummelstown. Miller was a member of the Carlisle Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses. He held a private pilot's license and enjoyed flying, hunting, fishing, motorcycling, traveling, and walking in the mountains. Among others, he is survived by brothers, Lyle C. Miller '50 and Mark L. Miller '59.

Dr. Kenneth R. Orwig '59 died Feb. 12 in Dallastown at the age of 73. He worked for Caterpillar, Inc., primarily as a metallurgical laboratory technician from 1973 until his retirement in 1998. Prior to that, Orwig was an instructor of biology at Harpur College in Binghamton, N.Y., and an assistant professor of biology at Richmond Professional Institute. He achieved the rank of Eagle Scout in 1951, and was awarded the Bronze Palm in 1952 and the Gold Palm in 1953. Orwig enjoyed sketching, drawing, nature, and the outdoors, and was a volunteer at Nixon County Park, where he applied his knowledge and expertise in entomology. He was a member of Bethlehem United Methodist Church in Dallastown, where he was in the Searchers Sunday school class, and served as an usher and on the board of trustees. Among others, he is survived by his wife, Marjorie Cook Orwig '60.

'60s

Jean L. Kelly Caruth '60 died March 7 in Miamisburg, Ohio, at the age of 70. She was a former music teacher at schools in both Maryland and Pennsylvania. Caruth also worked as a beauty consultant for Mary Kay Cosmetics. She lived in Europe for three years and did extensive traveling. She was a choir member and organist for Central United Methodist Church in Honesdale.

Marjorie Daniel Edmondson '60 died Oct. 15, 2009, in Washington, D.C., at the age of 71. She was a retired travel counselor with AAA Auto Club of Central N.J.

John W. Metka Sr. '60 died Oct. 9, 2009, at the age of 71. He was a chemistry teacher for the Marple Newtown School District in Newtown for 35 years, retiring in 1998. Metka coached softball for more than 20 years and was a member of the American Chemical Society, the National Science Teachers Association, the National Education Association, the Pennsylvania State Education Association, and the Public School Employees' Retirement System. He also was a member of Lehigh Lodge #326 Free & Accepted Masons, Tall Cedars, High Twelve, the Harrisburg Consistory, a board member of the Harrisburg Masonic Learning Center for Children, and a member of the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit in Emmaus. Metka also was a member and past president of the Alumni Association at LVC; he started LVC's Alumni Ambassadors Program, and was a member of the awards committee. Among others, he is survived by a daughter, Deanna Metka Quay '84.

Daniel L. Maurer '67 died March 9 in Danville at the age of 64. He loved teaching music in both public and private schools, as well as giving private lessons. Most of all, he enjoyed playing the trumpet with his son at various church functions. Maurer was a member of the Herndon camp meeting board and the Twin Pines Bible Conference Committee. He also served as official board member, lay delegate, steward, Sunday school teacher, and choir member at Bethany Evangelical Congregational Church in Ashland. He was an avid Penn State and Philadelphia Phillies fan, and loved traveling and vacationing.

In Memoriam

Kenneth H. Matz '69 died Jan. 23 in Harrisburg at the age of 64. He was a news anchor for Philadelphia's Channel 10 News for more than five years in the 1990s, and retired to Florida in 1998. Prior to that, he reported the news on radio stations from Reading to Harrisburg to Philadelphia. He started his Philadelphia broadcasting career at radio station WIBG-AM, and joined KYW NewsRadio in 1976. Matz left radio to start a career in television and worked in major markets in Miami, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Baltimore during the next 20 years. He won an Emmy Award in 1997 for Best News Anchor, Mid-Atlantic Region.

'70s

Michael L. O'Hara '71 died March 9 in Hershey at the age of 61. He was a retired math teacher from the Carlisle School District. He was a member of USA Dance, and enjoyed ballroom dancing in addition to woodworking, gardening, and fishing. Among others, he is survived by his wife, Evelyn Nottingham O'Hara '73.

Robert W. Johnston '73 died Aug. 2, 2009, at the age of 58. He was employed at Community College of Allegheny County, working in information technology. Johnston was a skilled artisan and enjoyed restoring homes from the late 1800s.

R. Craig Martin '74 died Oct. 29, 2009, in Philadelphia at the age of 57. He graduated from Valley Forge Military Academy as a cadet captain and commander of the Mounted Battalion. Martin was presented the ROTC Medal, which is awarded for leadership, soldierly bearing, and excellence, by the Philadelphia Chapter Sons of the American Revolution. He was formerly employed by Harleysville Insurance Company in Greensboro, N.C., and Penn National Insurance Company in Harrisburg. He served as a captain in the U.S. Army. Martin was a member of the Robert Burns Masonic Lodge Hummelstown American Legion Post 265; Greensboro American Post 0053, where he served as chaplain; the Blue Mountain Sertoma Club, where he served as treasurer; and the Zembo Shriners of Harrisburg. He was a member of the St. Andrew Episcopal Church where he sang in a barbershop quartet and in the choir. Martin played on one of the first soccer teams at LVC and for the Lower Paxton Soccer Association's over-30 team. Among others, he is survived by a sister, Sue Martin Bower '67, and his former wife, Karen Lee Taber '74.

'80s

Elizabeth Scott Confessore '81 died Aug. 16, 2009, in Brick, N.J., at the age of 50. She was employed as a music teacher by the Harrison Board of Education for 19 years. She was the director of the high school band and chorus, and the music director of the high school drama club. Confessore was a member of the Harrison Education Association and the New Jersey Education Association. She was an avid reader who also enjoyed running, snow skiing, and water skiing.

Dr. Bryan G. Rowe '84 died Sept. 9, 2009, in Ellicott City, Md., at the age of 48. An accomplished organ composer and performer, he began his piano study at age five and composed his first piece at age

six. While in secondary school, he received a scholarship to study organ at The Peabody Conservatory Preparatory School. He also studied at Salisbury Cathedral and Oxford University in England, and at The Juilliard School in New York. His anthem, "Beatitudes," was written in memory of the victims of the Columbine massacre. While playing a tour in Europe, he performed an organ solo in St. Paul's Cathedral in London. Nationally, he performed five recitals at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C., and Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, Calif., as well as numerous other concerts. He produced several CDs of his works.

Darrell R. Brubaker '08 died Aug. 18, 2009, in Hershey at the age of 57. He was employed by the State of Maryland as a weatherization specialist. He was an avid jazz fan.

Friends of the College

The Rev. Dr. William J. Brown, H.R., father of William J. Brown, Jr. '79, LVC vice president of enrollment, died Nov. 23, 2009, in Lancaster at the age of 89. Rev. Brown was executive presbyter emeritus of the Presbytery of Donegal, serving from 1964 until his retirement in 1990. He continued to actively serve the presbytery for 19 years after his retirement. Rev. Brown served four years in the U.S. Army during World War II and held degrees from Grove City College, the University of Pittsburgh, and Western Theological Seminary, as well as receiving an honorary doctor of divinity degree from Grove City.

Rev. Brown served churches in Pittsburgh, Ebensburg, and Clearfield before moving to Lancaster in 1964. He was involved with the Lancaster County Council of Churches, a member of the board of directors for the School District of Lancaster, an organizer of the Millersville University Campus Ministry, and the chair of the South Central Pennsylvania Heifer International Committee. Among others, he is survived by his wife of 58 years, Nancy; his son; his grandson, Craig D. Brown '07; and his great-granddaughter, Samantha Pabon '13.

Verlena N. Gamber died Jan. 26 in Cornwall at the age of 93. She was retired from the dining hall at LVC with more than 20 years of service, and had previously worked for Hershey Foods Corp. Gamber was a member of Covenant United Methodist Church in Lebanon.

Nancy J. Gamble died Nov. 10, 2009, in Lebanon at the age of 70. She had been a cafeteria cashier at LVC. Gamble was a member of St. Mark's United Church of Christ, Lebanon, and the Lebanon Chapter #115, Order of the Eastern Star. Among others, she is survived by a grandson, Alex Gamble '12.

Alice Long Kohr died Aug. 11, 2009, in Lebanon at the age of 66. She had been a secretary in student services from 1989 to 1998. Kohr was a member of Tabor United Church of Christ in Lebanon. She is predeceased by her parents, Dr. Luther K. Long '38, and Lucille Bamberger Long '41. Among others, she is survived by a sister, Louise Long Rahalewich '69.

Nicole Gallo, Student From *La Vie Collegienne*, by Sarah Grodzinski '10*

Editor's Note: Nicole Gallo, who had completed her freshman year as a biology major at Lebanon Valley College, was tragically killed by an impaired driver on Aug. 14, 2009. Despite her short time as a member of the LVC family, she made a life-long impression on her friends and coaches as evidenced by this story and these notes.

Nicole Gallo was not an average girl. Yes, she went to school, played sports, and hung out with friends, but she possessed a unique quality—a characteristic—that set her apart from others. This characteristic was apparent to anyone that had crossed paths with her, for they, too, were touched by the warmth of her sunshine.

Nicole was tragically killed when she was struck by an impaired driver while walking outside the Delaware County Memorial Hospital. The woman driving the vehicle is serving up to seven years in state prison.

It is a shame for those who never met Nicole, because her classmates, friends, and fellow athletes could not fathom a life without knowing her. Individuals that knew her were blessed because of the genuine compassion and enthusiasm that she displayed in everything she did. As a student and member of the track team, Gallo was always cheerful and positive.

She had a favorite saying which she always quoted, "Put it in a bubble and blow it away."

"It means if you had anything that was bad or really bothering you to just put it in a bubble and blow it away because life is always going to get better," explains close friend, Jerome Duncan. "It actually works," says friend, Johanna Walker '12.

There is no doubt that this girl was loved by many people. The day after the accident, a "RIP Nicole Gallo" Facebook group was created in her honor, which now has nearly two thousand members. There were more than 1,200 people at her viewing, which lasted until midnight, and at her funeral the next day. The LVC track team dedicated the season to Nicole and one of her friends since elementary school, Kayly Kerby, wrote a song, "Nicole's Song," for her and posted it on YouTube. Also at LVC, Kenda Huffman '11 and Jen Evans, director of student activities, designed and sold memorial t-shirts to benefit the Sunshine Scholarship Foundation. The shirts featured a beautiful picture of Nicole standing at the entrance gate of the Peace Garden.

A campus memorial service was held in the chapel on Aug. 27, 2009, led by Chaplain Fullmer. Following the service, Nicole's parents, some of her closest LVC friends, and the chaplain blew bubbles in the Peace Garden and ate "chicken fingers" in the dining hall in her memory. The Sunshine Scholarship Fund in memory of Nicole Gallo was established by Nicole's parents, Donna and Stephen, at Archbishop Prendergast where she graduated from high school.



Addendum: The College's track and field teams wore navy armbands with Nicole's initials in lime green (her favorite color) for every meet this season. According to Head Coach Melissa Weidler, "We wore the armbands to celebrate Nicole's life and to keep her with us in our thoughts and prayers." The team also helped raise money for the Sunshine Foundation. In January, the track teams hosted a "Bring Your Kid to the Game" day with the ice hockey team. Track athletes hosted tables for face painting and bracelet and card making for children at St. Jude's Hospital to raise almost \$1,000 for The Sunshine Scholarship Fund.

During the week of April 12, the teams collected donations for the foundation and they held a "Wear Green Day" in Nicole's memory. In honor of another of Nicole's favorites, butterflies, students and friends colored paper butterflies for display on campus. Nicole's family released 100 butterflies at her funeral.

Weidler notes, "Although Nicole is no longer with us in body, her spirit lives on. We talk about her often and miss her beautiful smile and contagious personality. She is sorely missed; but, we know she would want us to be successful. The team worked hard in her honor this season. We will always remember, celebrate, and cherish the life she lived with us at LVC. We know our little angel looks over us and we want her to be proud of our accomplishments."

*The article was updated to reflect additional information since it was written last fall.

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Summer Experiences 2010

What are students doing during their summer vacations? No need to wait until September. Visit www.lvc.edu and read their summer blogs today.

Abby Irwin '10, Perugia, Italy

Graduating with the LVC Class of 2010, Abby recently earned her bachelor of science in psychology and a bachelor of arts in music performance (voice). She is now studying abroad with the six-week summer program in Italy.

Greg Kennelty '12, South Belmar/Lake Como, N.J.

An English communications major, Greg is interning at WRAT Radio in Lake Como, N.J. this summer. Greg is also the chairperson of WLVC Radio and a technician for media services on campus.

Katie Deppen '13, Germany

An early childhood major, Katie is spending the summer traveling around Germany. She will be teaching German students English through YoYo Camps.

Chris DeLorenzo '10, Coroico, Bolivia

Chris will spend about five months teaching English and managing the language lab and English club at the Unidad Académica Campesina-Carmen Pampa, a small rural college in the foothills of the Bolivian Andes.

Rosemary Bucher '14, Palmyra, Pa.

A fourth generation Dutchman, Rosemary is preparing for her freshman year at LVC. A digital communications and music performance (voice) double major, read her summer journey as she becomes a Dutchman in her own right.

Angel Walker '14, Wilmington, Del.

Having just graduated high school, Angel shares his summer experience of working in Dallas, Texas before heading to Annville as a math secondary education major.

Coming This Fall

In addition to news, photos, and the online companion to *The Valley*, there's still more to come at www.lvc.edu.



The L-Online

In addition to a comprehensive history of LVC, the L-Online will include information on College traditions, lore, and buildings.

A Virtual Tour of Lebanon Valley College

Created with students from the Valley's Digital Communications Department, the virtual tour will provide a first look at LVC's spacious campus and academic buildings and include video descriptions hosted by LVC students.

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Charlie Johnson D'13

“ I love one of the greatest sports on the planet; unfortunately, it also is one of the most expensive. My financial limitations, due to my parent's divorce and loss of our home, did not allow me to meet the high cost of ice hockey gear, travel, and ice time. So, I stopped playing the sport competitively, gave up my dream of playing professionally, and instead focused on a career that would enable me to help people and my family. Now, thanks to you, I'm working toward my dream of one day owning a physical therapy clinic.

Since I was 17, I've been financially independent and working to provide for myself. I knew I wanted to go to college, but I was unsure of how to do it on my own. Through your generous gifts to The Valley Fund, you're helping to make my dream become a reality. Your support funds the Vickroy Scholarship that provides 50 percent of my tuition. I am inspired every day to work hard because people like you believe in me. Not only have you helped make my career dreams become a reality, you also have helped me find my true home at LVC.

Thank you, your gifts will continue to allow me and many other students to achieve our dreams.”

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